

Aba Al-Khail announces

New bank set up, Saudization finished

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — The last three small branches of foreign banks in Saudi Arabia have been purged to form a Saudi Arabian bank with the participation of the Saudi International Bank and the private sector here. Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad "Aba Al-Khail announced Wednesday.

A royal decree was issued approving the formation of the new bank, to be called the Saudi United Commercial Bank, Aba Al-Khail said. The move comes as the final stage of the Saudization of foreign banks here.

The three branches — Banque du Liban et d'Outre-Mer of Lebanon, United Bank Limited of Pakistan and Bank Mellik Iran of Iran — were not covered in the Saudization move a few years ago because of the small volume of their activities, according to the minister.

The new bank will practice banking activities according to the Kingdom's regula-

tions," Aba Al-Khail said. Each of the four banks, the three foreign bank branches and the Saudi International Bank, will hold 10 percent of the new capital. A total of 95 Saudi Arabian founders will raise 7.6 percent and the remaining 52.4 percent will be floated for public subscription.

"With the establishment of this bank, all banks operating in the Kingdom become Saudi Arabian companies in which major shares are held by nationals," Aba Al-Khail said.

According to Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency reports, the Saudization of foreign banks operating in the Kingdom had led to their expansion through the increases of capitals and activities, including the right to open branch offices in various parts of the country. Saudized banks include the Saudi American Bank, Albank AlSaud AlHollandi, Albank AlSaud AlFaransi and the Saudi Cairo Bank.

Drought-hit Nepal receives Kingdom's \$ 5m food aid

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RIYADH, Dec. 15 — The Kingdom, which has never lagged behind in extending help and succor to suffering humanity elsewhere in the world, has been busy rushing help from one place to another.

Closely following the help being rushed to the quake-hit North Yemen, the Kingdom has announced its decision to aid the drought-hit mountainous Kingdom of Nepal.

The Kingdom's Foreign Ministry has informed Nepal through a message Dec. 12 that it has decided to aid Nepal with about \$5 million worth of food to overcome the problems created by drought.

SR2.3m kindergarten work begins

QATIF, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Work on a SR2.3 million kindergarten began here recently. The project, under which a model kindergarten is to be built, is adopted by the Qatif Social Services Center in cooperation with local committees.

The center has raised 50 percent of the cost while the Labor and Social Affairs Ministry contributed the rest.

Arab festival preparations underway

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — The preparatory committee for the Third Arab Festival decided Wednesday on convening the festival on the third week of November here.

The committee also decided that each delegation should include only 100 members including information and administration delegations.

On the intellectual side of the festival, the committee suggested either Islam and

Asked for the Nepal Embassy's reaction to the aid, its spokesman said: "This is probably the largest aid we have received from any single country. We take it as a mark of goodwill and friendship the Kingdom has for us."

The spokesman said the whole of Indo-Gangetic Plain has been reeling under an unprecedented drought, of which Nepal and the whole of northern India form a part over the last three months.

The drought has made all the difference to Nepal's growing economy, he said and added: "Nepal, which has all along been an exporter of foodgrains such as rice and wheat to India and the Tibetan region, has now to import them."

JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — Hard times are ahead for those who use their telephones to play the game of impersonation, hoax and tease other subscribers, because a new computer installed in Ruwais will catch those psychopaths red-handed in no time, a Saudi Telephone spokesman said Wednesday.

The spokesman, Rabie Sadeq Dahlan, director general for telephones and telexes in the Western Province, told *Al-Madina* that complainers must no longer apply to Makkah Governorate to ask that their telephones be placed under surveillance. They can now directly submit their application to the zonal office which will take care of it.

Sarawat holds first anniversary promotion plan

By a Staff Writer

JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — The Sarawat Super Stores at the Jeddah International Market on Madinah Road has organized a promotional program on the completion of one year of service to the customers.

The Sarawat's holding company Arabian Stores Company Controller Peter McAdam told *Arab News*, the program has been planned by General Manager Abdullah S. Binzager to thank the customers for making the first year a "grand success".

"The customers have been offered thousands of rivals, in prizes in the competition arranged to celebrate the occasion," he added. The prizes include super seven-day holidays for two persons in Disneyworld, Florida, U.S.A.; Volkswagen Golf motor car; Akai video recorders; Philips televisions; Cannon movie cameras and projectors; vanity cases; wide range of high class cosmetics; Krups coffee percolator and food mixers; Hoover vacuum cleaners and lots of other prizes.

The program had started from Nov. 6 and the prize drawing will take place on Dec. 22. The results of the lucky winners will be published shortly thereafter, said McAdam.

Following the success of this store and the confidence the customers have placed on us, the company has planned to open a second Sarawat super store on Makkah Road Kilo-4 during March 1983," he added.

Sarawat Manager Bob Willen said "the last day to enter the competition was Wednesday. They received very good response from the customers and also the suppliers." The suppliers offered valuable prizes for the customers and buyers received well known products at reasonable rates.

The competition attracted many new customers and they are on the increase.

Farmer discovers coal near Mujammaa

MUJAMMAA, Dec. 15 — Coal was discovered at a 150-meter depth, 35 kilometers south of here in a place called Hamada Al-Farouthi, *Al-Riyadh* reported Wednesday.

The discovery was made by a farmer as he was digging an artesian well. He brought two pieces to the Al-Fayhae Club here, as samples of his discovery, which were placed in a museum. Later on, some workers warmed themselves with the samples on a cold winter evening.

Tabuk project fund, allocations discussed

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Tabuk Governor Prince Abdul Majeed conferred Wednesday with Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Aba Al-Khail and Civil Service Board President Turki Al-Sudairi to discuss necessary allocations of fund for Tabuk Region's project and appointment of qualified technical and administrative personnel.

The two meetings are part of a series being held by Prince Abdul Majeed with top officials here to discuss projects in Tabuk, progress of work on them and other requirements of the region.

Dave information about local news? Important upcoming events? Contributors with information about local news or stories of local interest should contact Dave Kaiser at 653-4743 or 653-2911, Jeddah.

**Employ highly
qualified staff,
Saudi shipping
firms warned**

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Saudi Arabian shipping companies are urged to employ highly qualified personnel to work on their ships and advise their employees to abide by the rules and regulations of the Kingdom so they would not be subject to penalty. The warning came from the Communications Ministry.

Transport Undersecretary Ahmad Yusuf Al-Turki said Wednesday that ships owned by national companies were penalized under the law for "certain offenses."

Turki stressed that the government encourages the Saudi commercial fleet and provides assistance and support to shipping companies.

**Iraqi chosen
as council
secretary**

CASABLANCA, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Dr. Akrum Nasir Ibrahim, the Iraqi candidate was chosen by Arab interior ministers to become the secretary-general of the Arab Ministers' Council for three years. The decision was made by the ministers who were meeting here Tuesday night. Tunis was decided on by the ministers to host the secretariat of the council.

The ministers attended a dinner party made on their behalf by the Moroccan interior minister Idris Al-Bassi as well as folkloric festival made to celebrate the inauguration of some development projects here.

**Social services
receive SR47m
in donations**

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — SR47 million has been disbursed in assistance to social service centers in the Western Region during the past year, according to Western Region Social Affairs Director Ahmad Saleh Al-Fidai. He said the social affairs directorate has provided SR2.5 million as additional annual aid to disabled persons in the region.

The number of girls' homes administered by the directorate has reached 15, Fidai said, adding that social service and development centers in the Western Region have increased to six.

The centers are located in Makkah, Turabah Wadi Fatimah, Basyidh and Madinah. He said that these centers carry out various projects of which the most prominent institutions for teaching girls: dressmaking, cooking, and looking after children from the cultural, social and health aspects.

Other programs by the centers include promoting health awareness, carried out by specialists, supporting children's sports, youth care, organizing cultural seminars, social trips and camps for youth. The directorate's activities also extend to supplying homes with healthy water tanks; providing libraries with books, promoting afforestation, cleaning and primary medical aid weeks.

In cooperation with education department, the directorate implemented a literacy campaign in rural areas by opening adult education classes and special training sessions for female workers. The directorate also funds pools and swamps and improves roads in some villages, Fidai added.

**Girls' college
schedule, exam
dates announced**

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — The Undersecretariat of Girls' Colleges, Wednesday announced the beginning of the academic year, vacations and examination dates have been adjusted for girls' colleges so that they fall into conformity with standard system as decided by the Higher Committee for Education policy.

Examinations for the first semester of this year will begin Jan. 3 and end Jan. 19. Vacation between semesters begins Jan. 29, and the second semester begins Feb. 12.

Second semester examinations begin May 16 and conclude June 1.

Summer vacation falls between June 12 and Aug. 8 after which study resumes until Sept. 5. Hajj holiday will be Sept. 12 to 21. The next academic year, 1983-84 begins Sept. 24.

Makkah hosts Islamic art exhibition

By Staff Writer

RIYADH, Dec. 15 — A contemporary Islamic art exhibition will be staged in Makkah Sunday by Tunisian calligrapher Muhammad Bouthelidja. The exhibit is sponsored by the Youth Welfare office in Makkah and will be inaugurated by Acting Makkah Mayor Abdullah ibn Siddiq.

The one-week exhibition, the second for Bouthelidja in the Kingdom, will be held at the Makkah Information Center. He had successfully organized a demonstration in Jeddah earlier this year.

"This exhibition is quite different from the previous," Bouthelidja told *Arab News* Wednesday. "It is a new concept of Islamic art," he said.

The Makkah exhibition will comprise about 50 to 60 drawings. Bouthelidja's new concept blends Islamic calligraphy with plastic arts in beautiful colors.

Muhammad Bouthelidja

Car mechanics, electricity sessions next month

HAFRAL-BATIN, Dec. 15 (SPA) — The vocational training center here will organize two sessions daily starting in the middle of next month. The first session will last 18 months and concentrate on car mechanics and electricity, while the second one will concentrate on the same subject plus welding and carpentry and lasts six months.

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the Lebanese government.

"We shall block efforts by the Zionist enemy to exploit the current aggression to dictate capitulation on Lebanon or partition Lebanon through sectarian wars and maintain occupation forever," Shehabi said.

He spoke at graduation ceremony at Syria's Military Academy, and his remarks were broadcast by Syria's state radio.

A high-powered Syrian delegation headed by Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam and Defense Minister Maj. Gen. Mustafa Tlass visited Tripoli Wednesday.

After six hours of talks with leaders of warring factions, a "final cease-fire" was proclaimed at 4:30 p.m. (1430GMT) in Lebanon's second-largest city by ex-Prime Minister Rashid Karanji, Tripoli's leading politi-

cal party. The sources said Waleesa had had no contact from the authorities in connection with his plans to speak at a meeting of Solidarity supporters at the memorial by the Lenin Shipyards at 3 p.m. (1408 GMT) Thursday.

"As you know Waleesa had promised workers and his supporters that he would meet them. Now he will stick to his word and will turn up Thursday to address people at 3 o'clock," one source at the Waleesa home said.

The authorities have made clear they will not tolerate an illegal rally at the spot where police have used water cannon and baton charges to disperse a number of demonstrators by Solidarity supporters during this year.

Meanwhile, the text of Waleesa's remarks was given by a source of tested reliability to Western correspondents in Warsaw on Tuesday, two days before its planned delivery.

Waleesa, in his first speech in the year since martial law's imposition, asserts "ours will be the victory" and urges Poles to pursue peacefully the ideals and aims of the now-outlawed independent labor movement.

"I am faithful to our ideals, the ideals of August (1980)," Waleesa says in the text. "I am faithful to the workers and the Polish cause, as a Pole and a worker."

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In expansion program

2nd pharmacy college planned for next year

By Ahmad K. Khosro
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — An expansion program which will include the addition of 180 beds has been announced by Dr. Abdul Karim Telmasani, a staff member at the King Abdul Aziz Hospital faculty of medicine. The hospital addition will form an adjunct to the main university campus and at the same time the hospital is in the process of initiating a graduate program in the field of clinical and industrial pharmacy.

Telmasani said that the faculty would probably begin soon to accept the first group of pharmacy students for the next academic year.

"We are in the process of setting up a school but the basic requirements for admission will be decided in the future," he said. This faculty at the university is the second one to be opened in the Kingdom.

Dr. Telmasani said that the faculty has two major divisions, academic and clinical. In the academic curriculum courses in anatomy, pharmacology, physiology, biology, public health, chemistry, physics and pathology will be offered. On the clinical side, students will be coached in pediatrics, surgery, gynaecology and obstetrics, medicine and dermatology.

An added feature of the development taking place in the field of public health is an

Justice sessions concluded

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Bahraini Justice and Islamic Affairs Minister Sheikh Abdullah ibn Khalid Al-Khalifa left here after chairing the first Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) justice ministers conference after its deliberations were concluded.

Khalifa was seen-off at the airport by Justice Minister Ibrahim Al-Sheikh and the GCC's general-secretary Abdullah Bishara.

Prior to his departure, Khalifa expressed appreciation to the King Fahd and the Saudi Arabian government for holding the meeting and also lauded the council's general-secretary's good arrangements for the success of the conference.

The Bahraini minister hoped that committees entrusted by the conference to tackle relevant issues would soon complete their mission to carry out the conference's decisions.

Traffic commanders' parley decides on computerization, strict measures

RIYADH, Dec. 15 — Secondary school level graduates of the Traffic Institute will be trained on the computer at the Interior Ministry's National Information Center, *Al-Medain* reported. The decision was taken at the 4th conference here, Dec. 6-8, under Public Security Chief Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh, of traffic commanders in Saudi Arabia.

The conferees decided that, in accidents, the traffic men's role should be confined to the usual inquiry and to defining the responsible for the accident. The matter will then be submitted to the competent higher authorities.

Coordination will be enhanced among the ministries of health, municipal and rural affairs and finance and national economy to provide the best means for transporting the injured, giving them first aid and treatment and contacting the next of kin of those who die or are hurt in such accidents. Strict measures will be applied on those who caused the accident and anyone found without Iqama (legal stay permit) will be handed over to the proper authorities.

During the pilgrimage season, the investigation will be conducted by the General Traffic Department. Licenses will be withdrawn only as provided for in the statute and will be properly preserved. Severe penalties

attempt to establish a drug information center, a project undertaken jointly by the college's medical faculty and the King Fahd Research Center. Dr. Osama Tayeb, assistant professor of pharmacology, is leading a team to set up a drug division.

Dr. Tayeb said the center will provide the community with information about drugs or poisons. "Such information is widely needed to control the effects of poison in an emergency," he remarked. Three persons are likely to work under him in this division and they are planning to have a microfiche data system on known poisons in the world.

He has visited the Rocky Mountain poison control center in Denver, USA, as a first step toward building a complete library and other facilities related to the center.

At present, Dr. Telmasani said 450 male and 410 female students are studying in a raft of courses for a six-year term. The college was established in 1975-76. There are four colleges of medicine in the Kingdom, King Saud Medical College in Riyadh, being the first to be set up. The last to come up is the Abha College which is a branch of King Saud.

Hospital project contract signed

LONDON, Dec. 15 — Saudi Arabia and Britain will design, build and equip a 150-bed hospital in Jubail together, *Al-Medain* reported Tuesday. The £35 million contract for the project was signed between Lyng and Wimpy Alireza Co. Ltd. and Acting Health Minister Dr. Ghazi Algosaibi.

The two-story hospital will cover a 110,000 square meter area. The basement and the roof will also be used. In addition there will be four buildings, including a vertical car park, and a large housing compound for 400 persons.

Recreation facilities will include a swimming pool, a tennis court, a basketball court, a library, restaurants and a television room. The project will take 26 months to complete. Similar hospitals with 100 beds are planned next year at Muthannab and Yar-kayeyyah. The company has been engaged in such joint ventures since 1967.

22 farmers win contest

DAMMAM, Dec. 15 — Twenty-two farmers have won a contest organized by the Agricultural Improvement Department in Qatif on the model farmer. Prizes totaling SR50,000, in addition to other remunerations in kind, like tractors and other agricultural equipment, will be distributed to them at the end of next month, according to *Al-Bilad*.

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KAU slates engineering conference

JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — A conference of Saudi Arabian engineers will be held, May 14-20 at King Abdul Aziz University to exchange engineering, industrial and other scientific experience, *Al-Bilad* reported.

Dr. Muhammad Nour Qantani, dean of the engineering faculty of King Abdul Aziz University, said that the conference will also discuss the ways and means to raise the efficiency of the country's engineers as well as engineering training.

An exhibition of engineering equipment and books will be held alongside the conference at the university.

Qatif sewage plan funds allocated

QATIF, Dec. 15 (SPA) — A total of SR577.31 million has been allocated for the Qatif Region sewage and swamp water drainage system. The project covers 16 villages with a total length of 176.8 kilometers network lines, 20 pumping stations and four purification reservoirs.

Eastern Province Water and Sewage Department Director General Abdullah Al-Babtain said the department will urgently implement a project of house connections for the sewage network of Awjam village in Qatif. Studies and designs for the projects will be made immediately, he added.

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Taif to host boy scouts

TAIF, Dec. 15 — Taif will host a group of American and Greek boy scouts next month in the context of Saudi-Greek-American friendship, *Al-Bilad* reported. Taif's educational zone is preparing the program for the visit, which will include sightseeing and several functions and folkloric arts.

Examination date fixed

AHSA, Dec. 15 (SPA) — Dec. 31 has been fixed as the date for class work examination for regular and part-time students of Imam Muhammad Ibn Saud Islamic University's College of Sharia and Islamic Studies. About 570 students are expected to sit for the tests.

6,000 plots distributed

JOUD, Dec. 15 (SPA) — More than 6,000 land plots had been distributed to limited income citizens and government grantees in the town of Sikaka.

Ibrahim Khulaif Al-Musallam, Northern Region municipal and rural affairs director general, said that final preparations are being made to distribute a residential zone to government grantees. In the town of Dumat Al-Jandal, more than 2,000 plots have been distributed and another 1,977 plots were handed out in Tabariah.

Distribution of more than 5,000 plots has been approved for 10 villages in the Joud area.

First 'Who's Who' in Islamic economics, banking planned

By Suresh Shah
Arab News Staff

JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — Work on the first "Who's Who" in Islamic Economics and Banking has been started here jointly by the Islamic Research and Training Institute of the Islamic Development Bank, and the International Center for Research in Islamic Economics at the King Abdul Aziz University.

According to Dr. Yalcintas Nevzat, head of IDB's Research Division, "it will be the first inventory of researchers and academicians in the domain of Islamic economics, banking and related fields."

The compilation of the information will be completed during the current Islamic year (1403H) and it will be published in the form of a directory, he said.

Dr. Nevzat told *Arab News*, the project aims to complete and comprehensive inventory of all economists, bankers and academics active in the field if Islamic research and training activities.

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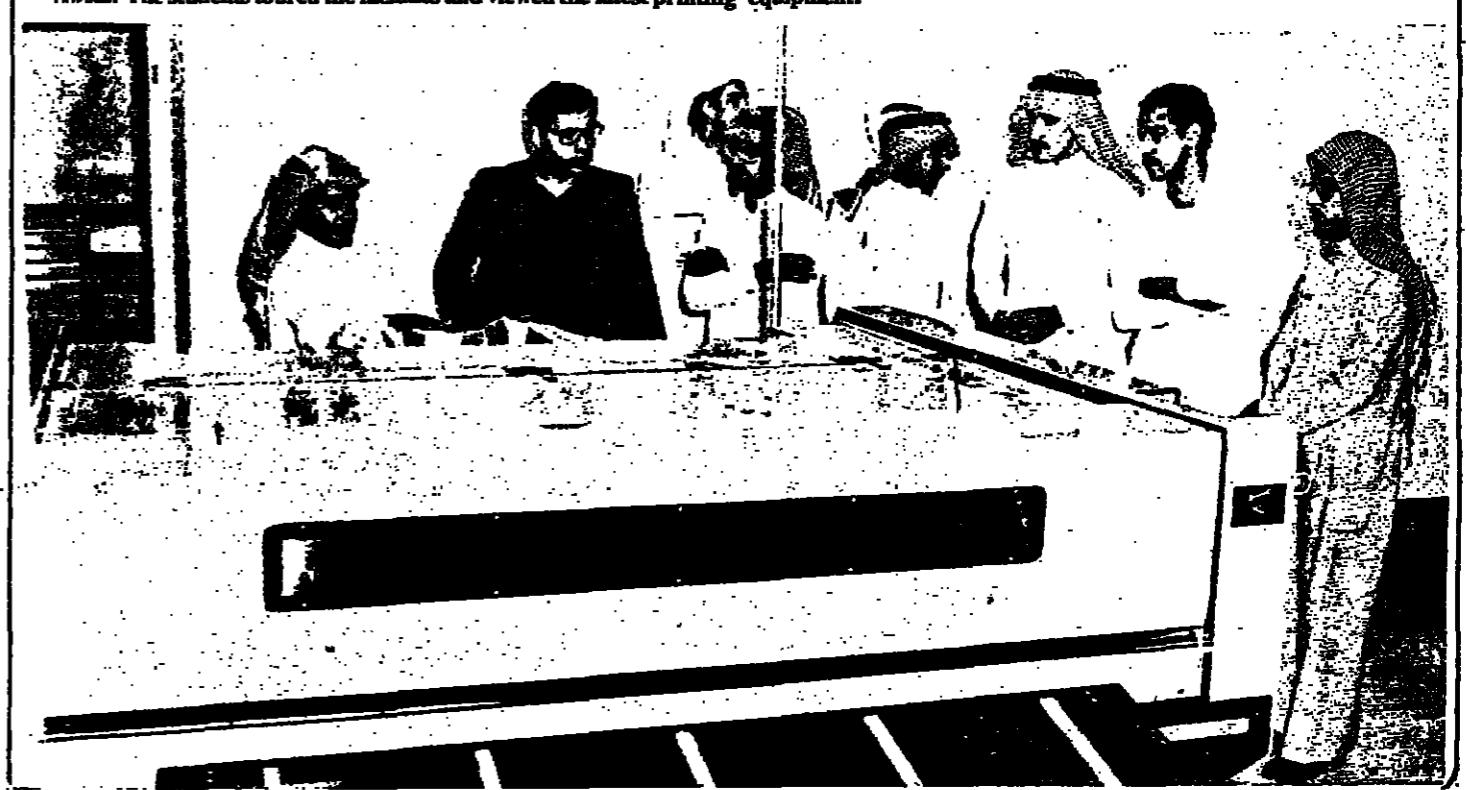
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(Photograph by Giovanni Pappalardo)

ARAB NEWS TOUR: A group of ten graduate students in communications and journalism from King Saud University met Tuesday evening with Chairman Hisham Hafiz at the new headquarters of Saudi Research and Marketing, publishers of *Arab News* and *Arabia Al-Awsat*. The students toured the facilities and viewed the latest printing equipment.



Furthering specialization program

Education Ministry sends 19 Ph.D. candidates abroad

RIYADH, Dec. 15 (SPA) — The Education Ministry will send a number of its masters degree holding employees abroad to continue studies for doctorate degrees.

The move comes in the context of the

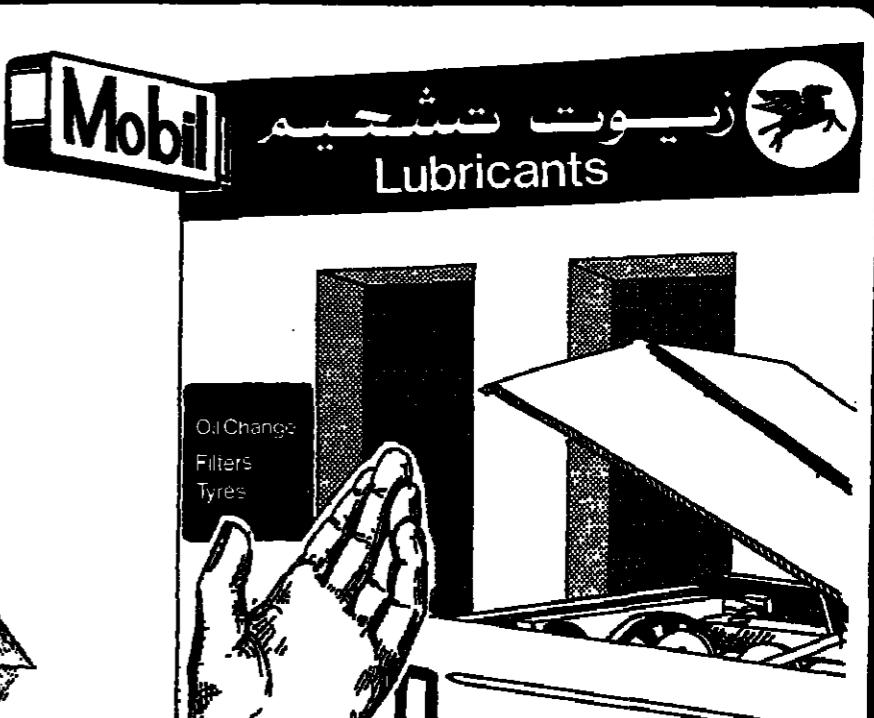
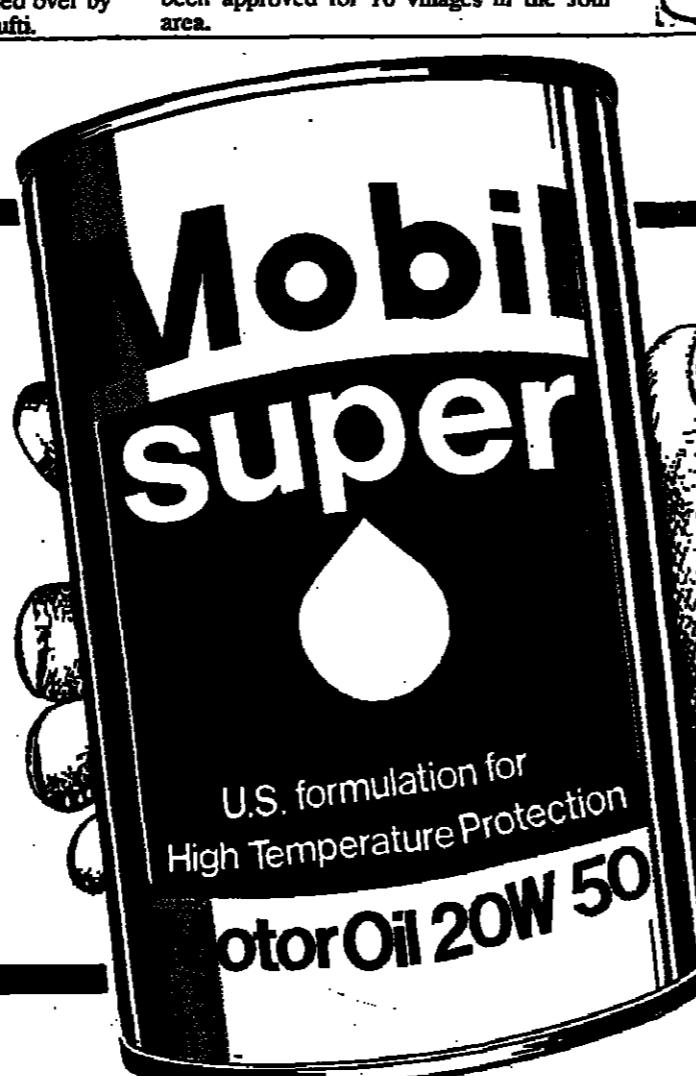
ministry's specializations program for the Third Five-Year Development Plan to meet demands for certain specializations in the gradual development of the educational structure.

Prayer Times

Thursday	Makkah	Madinah	Riyadh	Dammam	Buraidah	Tabuk
Fajr (Dawn)	5:26	5:33	5:05	4:55	5:20	5:54
Dhuhr (Noon)	12:16	12:17	11:48	11:35	12:00	12:29
Asr (Afternoon)	3:20	3:16	2:47	2:31	2:55	3:21
Maghreb (Sunset)	5:42	5:37	5:08	4:51	5:16	5:41
Isha (Night)	7:12	7:07	6:38	6:21	6:46	7:11

Each year of the plan, personnel who fulfill the conditions for the scholarship are sent abroad. This year, 19 persons will seek doctorate degrees abroad. They will specialize in social sciences which include history, geography, and educational psychiatry, mathematics, and research and studies which comprise educational, analogical, progress, statistical, computer and educational planning research; educational technologies which covers planning, designing and development educational methods, and planning and designing of laboratory equipment.

The ministry has sent a circular to all education departments in the Kingdom to nominate qualified personnel. The deadline for submitting the nomination was set as Feb. 13.



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Arab Americans sore over aid hike for Israel

By Susan Saporito
Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, Dec. 15 — The National Association of Arab Americans (NAAA) expressed outrage over the Senate Appropriations Committee's recent approval of an increase in aid to Israel from \$2.1 billion (\$R7.1 billion) in fiscal 1982, to \$2.6 billion (\$R8.8 billion) in fiscal 1983, an increase of \$425 million (\$R1.4 billion).

The increase in aid translates to \$4,200 (\$R14,280) for each Israeli family of five, compared to last year's amount of \$3,500 (\$R14,900) per family. This compares to \$112 million (\$R381 million) in total emergency aid that has been approved for Lebanon, about \$187 (\$R636) per family, to help the thousands injured and homeless as a result of Israel's invasion of Lebanon last summer.

"Those senators who approved this aid increase are in essence telling Israel that not only is it okay to invade a defenseless Lebanon and kill and maim thousands of innocent men, women and children, but in addition we American citizens will pay for it," said NAAA President Robert Joseph. "Americans are being asked to sacrifice at home so, Israelis can use our tax dollars for their war machine. Rather than pay Israel to kill and destroy, we should be using our tax dollars to feed hungry Americans and put more Americans to work at a time when our own

Dacca to free 257 prisoners

DACCA, Dec. 15 (AP) — The government will release 257 prisoners Thursday in a general amnesty to mark National Victory Day, an official announcement said Wednesday.

The day commemorates the Dec. 16, 1971, emergence of Bangladesh as a nation after it broke away from Pakistan. The names of the prisoners to be released were not available, but a nation after it broke away from Pakistan. The names of the prisoners to be released were not available, but the announcement said some were imprisoned for political crimes. They are expected to be released from various prisons by Wednesday night. The announcement said the government hopes the released prisoners will help build the nation and be responsible members of society.

Sixty mummies found in Nile Valley

CAIRO, Dec. 15 (AFP) — Sixty mummies in a good state of preservation, dating back to Roman times, have been found at Dush, in the Nile Valley, by a team of French archaeologists, it was reported here Wednesday.

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economy is a shambles," Joseph added.

"This aid increase undermines the authority of President Reagan and signals to important Arab countries that the administration cannot control American foreign policy in the Middle East," Joseph said. He said by increasing its aid to Israel, the United States is rewarding Israel for its invasion of Lebanon, for "thumbing its nose at President Reagan" for rejecting his peace plan, for building more Jewish settlements in the West Bank against the request of President Reagan, "for oppressing Palestinians in the occupied territories, for expelling Palestinians from the West Bank and Gaza, for occupying Lebanon and for obstructing all efforts aimed toward peace."

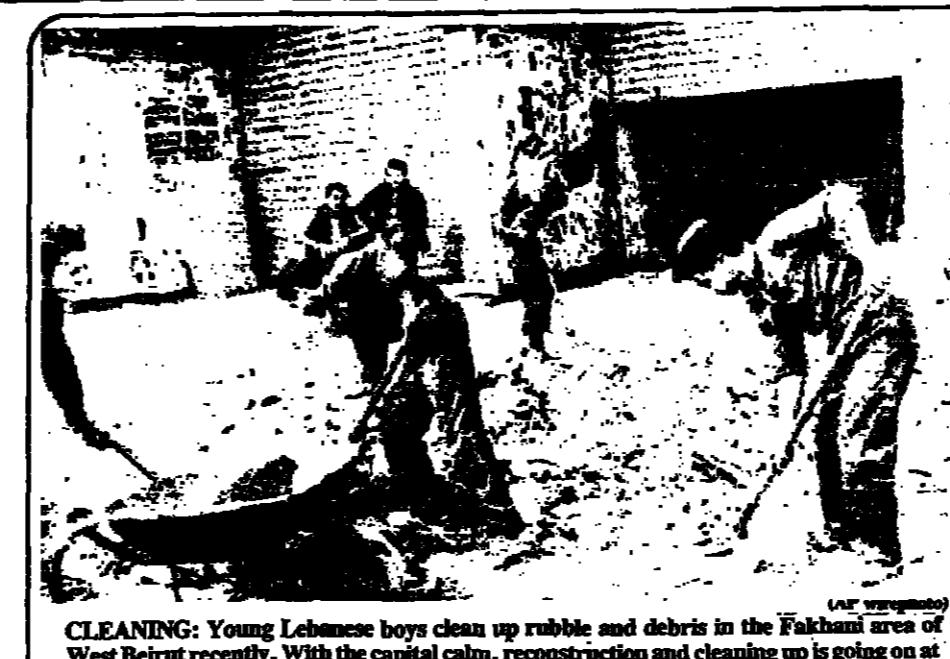
He added, "It also severely damages U.S. credibility worldwide and erodes confidence that the U.S. is capable of pursuing its own national interests abroad."

The Reagan administration opposed the aid increase. In a letter to Senate Appropriations Committee Chairman Senator Mark Hatfield (R-Ore.), acting Secretary of State Kenneth Dam said: "The president is also acutely concerned that the increase for Israel approved by the sub-committee — indeed, any increase — could imperil the strenuous effort we are making to find a settlement in Lebanon and to make progress in the broader peace process. By appearing to endorse and reward Israel's policies, it could strengthen the hand of those who are content with the status quo, while calling into question among others the U.S. commitment to an equitable outcome." He added that approval of the aid, "will sharply increase the difficulty of drawing into the larger peace process those whose participation is essential to progress."

He said the United States is not contributing to Israel's security by making peace "more remote." In response to the subcommittee's approval of the aid increase, the NAAA will launch an advertising campaign in Pennsylvania asking state residents if they approve of the increase. Part of the advertising campaign focuses on Pennsylvania because Sen Arlen Specter is a member of the Senate committee that approved the aid increase.

The campaign also will be targeted for Maryland's Montgomery County, just outside Washington, D.C., where many congressional members live while Congress is in session. Radio advertisements will be used by the NAAA to reach parts of Pennsylvania; Montgomery County, Alexandria, and Washington, D.C.

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CLEANING: Young Lebanese boys clean up rubble and debris in the Fakhani area of West Beirut recently. With the capital calm, reconstruction and cleaning up is going on at a fast pace, with people working round the clock.

Zia begins visit to Canada

MONTREAL, Dec. 15 (Agencies) — President Muhammad Zia-ul Haq of Pakistan began a five-day visit to Canada Tuesday with a tour of an exhibition of electronic and military vehicles.

Arriving at dusk from San Francisco, Zia was whisked from Dorval airport to unveil a plaque at the Baluchistan Studies and Development Corp. Ltd., a company financed by expatriate Arab entrepreneur Saad Gabr. On display were a selection of products developed by Gabr's North Hatley Group.

Aside from noting at one point that "Canada is a great country of peace," Zia said little during the 45-minute tour. Zia is scheduled to lunch Wednesday with Quebec External Trade Minister Bernard Landry.

U.N. extends Cyprus unit mandate

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 15 (AP) — The U.N. Security Council unanimously agreed Tuesday to extend the mandate of the 2,348-man U.N. peacekeeping force in Cyprus for another six months until next June 15.

The council acted on a recommendation of Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar, who also called for a speedup of protracted intercommunal peace talks between Greek and Turkish Cypriots. In his report to the council, Cuellar warned that "time appears to be eroding" for solving the Cyprus problem, and he expressed the hope that leaders involved would "exercise the statesmanship and courage required" to reach a settlement.

Ambassador Constantine Moushoureas of Cyprus, speaking for the Greek-Cypriot community, accused Turkey, which invaded the island in 1974, of pursuing "separatist

PLO executive to meet tomorrow

AMMAN, Dec. 15 (R) — The Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) 15-man executive committee will meet in Tunis Friday, a senior Palestinian official said here Wednesday.

Najib Al-Ahmad, head of PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's office in Amman, told Reuters that invitations for the meeting had already been issued. Arafat left Amman for Tunis Tuesday after talks with Jordanian officials on the future ties between Jordan and a potential Palestinian entity in the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip after Israel withdraws from both territories.

The meeting is expected to discuss the outcome of the PLO-Jordanian talks and possibly set a date and venue for a meeting of the Palestine National Council, the Palestinian parliament-in-exile informed sources said.

followed by meetings with Canadian journalists and leaders of Canada's 40,000-member Pakistani community. He will be in Ottawa to visit Prime Minister Trudeau Thursday and Friday before meeting Ontario Premier William Davis in Toronto Saturday.

Meanwhile, Amnesty International's Canadian section, responding to the arrival of President Zia, accused Pakistan of arbitrary arrest, imprisonment and torture.

In letters to Canadian Prime Minister and External Affairs Minister Allan MacEachen, the Nobel prizewinning human rights group's Canadian membership expressed concern at the situation in Pakistan. "Thousands of Pakistani citizens have been arrested and imprisoned arbitrarily," the letters said. "Political prisoners have been the victims of harsh treatment and torture."

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Mass grave discovered in Afghan province

LONDON, Dec. 15 (AP) — The Afghan Press Agency, a dissident organization, reported Tuesday that a mass grave for more than 100 men, women and children has been discovered in Herat province of northwestern Afghanistan.

The London-based agency said local officials blamed the atrocity on the regime of Hafizullah Amin who was in power from September 1979 until the Soviet military intervention in December of that year. The agency, which claims to have good sources among the Afghans fighting Soviet forces, said the grave was discovered "recently" near the town of Iman Shashoora.

The agency said all the victims had their hands bound behind their backs, feet tied and mouths gagged. "There were no visible injuries or broken bones," according to

eyewitnesses, and it seemed as if these people might have been buried alive."

Meanwhile, regime of President Babrak Karmal has made at least temporary gains in buying support from some of Afghanistan's fiercely independent tribesmen. Western diplomatic reports said in New Delhi Tuesday. The tribesmen's loyalty was secured in at least two cases by a method as old and tenacious as life in the rugged region itself through cash payments, said the reports from sources who declined to be identified.

More than 1,000 Shinwari tribesmen in eastern Nangahar province currently are paid \$3,000 Afghan (\$400 U.S.) a month each to guard the highway from the provincial capital of Jalalabad to Torkham on the Afghan-Pakistan border, the reports said.

Turkish police question writer

ANKARA, Dec. 15 (AFP) — The Istanbul military prosecutor has questioned humorist/writer Aziz Nesin for connection with officials of the "Turkish Peace Committee" on trial since June 24, judicial sources said Wednesday.

Nesin recently returned from Moscow, where he had been hospitalized after suffering a heart attack in the airport on his way back from Vietnam. Another investigation is under way against Nesin as the president of the Progressive Writers' Association for

Deng, Evren resolve to better ties

PEKING, Dec. 15 (AP) — Deng Xiaoping, China's top leader, told Turkish President Kenan Evren Wednesday they should change the past situation where "our two countries did not often exchange visits," the official Xinhua news agency reported.

"From now on, we should increase mutual understanding and expand cooperation," Deng said. He said there are no contradictions between China and Turkey. "as the Turkish propaganda machine so often proclaims" but an issue of foreign invasion, continuing occupation and massive violations of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of the Cypriots as a whole."

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One present similarity is that both nations border on the Soviet Union, a nation that China accuses of aggression and expansionist policies. But China also began consultations with the Soviet Union recently on ways to reduce tensions.

Xinhua has not reported what the two delegations said about the Soviets, except that both agreed that all foreign troops must be withdrawn from Afghanistan.

Hu said China is interested in expanding friendly ties with Turkey in trade and economic cooperation. Xinhua reported. It said Evren told him that the people of Turkey entertain very friendly feelings toward the people of China.

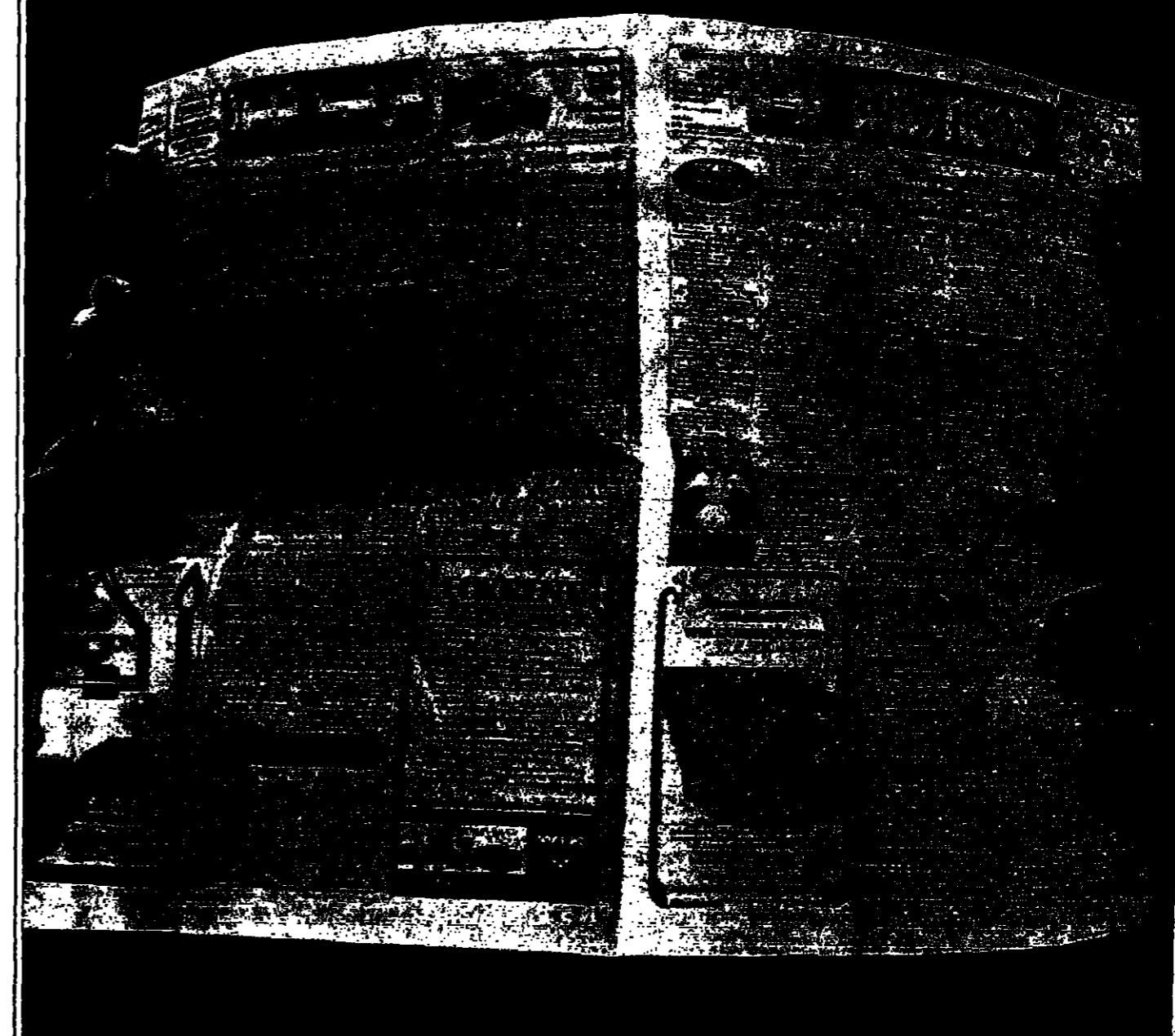
Iran to open mission in Tanzanian capital

DAR-ES-SALAAM, Dec. 15 (AFP) — A seven-man Iranian delegation arrived here Wednesday to work out the last details before the opening here of an Iranian diplomatic mission.

The delegation, which is led by the country's acting director-general of political affairs for Asia and Africa, Dr. Muhammad Hossein, is expected to stay for four days.

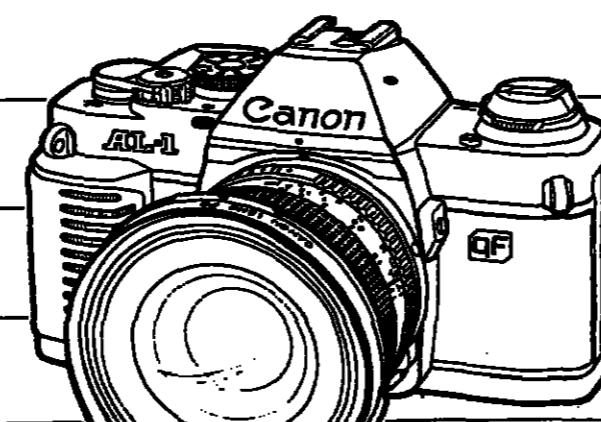
A Tanzanian official said the visit was the result of an agreement between Tanzanian Foreign Minister Salim Ahmad Salim and his Iranian counterpart Ali Akbar Velayati in New York in October when they agreed to establish diplomatic relations at ambassadorial levels.

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For bloody commando raid

Lesotho seeks S.A. reparations

UNITED NATIONS, Dec. 15 (AP) — After winning condemnation of South Africa from the U.N. General Assembly, Lesotho turned to the Security Council Tuesday to seek reparations for a bloody South African commando raid on its capital.

Lesotho's King Moshoeshoe II personally went before the 15-nation council to appeal for "positive action" to curb South Africa's "strategy of naked terrorism against an entire subcontinent."

An American source said a preliminary draft resolution being circulated among council delegates on Lesotho's behalf would demand South African reparations for the damage and loss of life caused by last Thursday's pre-dawn raid on black nationalist exiles in Maseru.

The resolutions, according to the source, also would call on South Africa not to impede the flow of black refugees to Lesotho and to abide by the U.N. charter principle of the non-use of force in settling international disputes.

The source said the proposed resolution was under study by the State Department, but it appeared that the United States could support it in its present form. He noted it contains no provision for economic or political sanctions against South Africa — cause for past U.S. vetoes.

A vote on a final draft was not expected before Thursday because of a growing speakers' list.

Tuesday's council session lasted a half hour, only long enough to hear King Moshoeshoe deliver Lesotho's complaint and were Lesotho citizens.

a brief statement from U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar.

Dressed in a blue business suit and speaking in measured English, the king dismissed as "hollow" South Africa's claim that last Thursday's pre-dawn raid was a preemptive strike against black insurgents of the African National Congress (ANC). "None of its claims are supported by fact," the king declared.

After accounting for some of the 42 victims, including eight youths preparing to leave for an ANC school in Tanzania plus a number of women and children, the king asked: "Are these the type of people who could have been planning incursions into South Africa?" Twelve of the victims, he said,

were Lesotho citizens.

Involved in coup attempt

Ghana dissolves administrative offices

LONDON, Dec. 15 (AP) — Ghana's Socialist military government has dissolved national and regional administrative offices which it said had been involved in a failed coup attempt by rebel soldiers three weeks ago, Accra radio reported.

The radio, monitored by the British Broadcasting Corp. here, said the dissolution sparked rival demonstrations by workers and students at the University of Ghana in Legon.

Ghana's ruling Provisional National Defense Council, chaired by head of state

Flight Lt. Jerry John Rawlings, announced Tuesday in an official statement that it had dismissed sections of the National Defense Committee.

The statement said the PNDc's national office in the capital city of Accra and Greater Accra and Volta regional offices were dissolved.

The PNDC expressed grave concern that "counterrevolutionary" forces had infiltrated the country's administration, misusing the committee's power and acting against

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Chinese leader seeks India ties

PEKING, Dec. 15 (AFP) — The chairman of the National People's Congress Marshal Ye Jianying, urged China and India, currently involved in a border dispute, to develop friendly relations, new China News Agency (NCNA) said.

Marshal Ye made the appeal during talks with an unofficial Indian delegation here to attend memorial ceremonies for an Indian doctor who died 40 years ago in China, where he had come to treat Communist wounded.

"China and India are two big countries in Asia. We are close neighbors. Our people should live in friendship from generation to generation." Ye, who acts as China's head of state, said. His appeal follows controversy between China and India over the closing ceremony at the recent Asian Games in New Delhi.

Peking accused India of "unworthy behavior" in including in the ceremony two dances from Arunachal Pradesh, a region which China also claims. In protest at the NCNA comment, India canceled its official delegation to the ceremonies commemorating the doctor.

aspirations of the people. It said it had set up a standing committee to speed election of new regional officers.

University of Ghana students, opposed to the PNDC, demanded that the country's military leaders hand over power to a national government and release political prisoners.

In response, university workers rallied in support of the government, calling for closure of the university and strict treatment of counterrevolutionaries, the radio said.

Wife to surrender in Tylenol case

Lewis at the Gramercy Hotel in Manhattan on Monday under arrangement with her lawyer in Chicago, Michael Monaco.

On Monday her husband, charged with attempting to extort \$1 million in the wake of seven Tylenol poisoning deaths in Chicago, was captured in the New York public library, where he apparently went to write letters to newspapers.

Lopez said Monaco had told the U.S. attorney's office in Chicago that Mrs. Lewis would fly to Chicago with an attorney and surrender there. Mrs. Lewis is wanted on a federal warrant charging misuse of a social security card while trying to obtain work in Chicago.

Lopez said Monaco made the surrender agreement with Assistant U.S. Attorney Daniel Webb.

"She was concerned, and anxious for her husband, but she was holding up pretty well," he said. Lopez said he and an associate picked Mrs. Lewis up at the hotel and then made arrangements for her overnight lodging and booked her passage to Chicago.

Lewis, 36, charged with trying to extort \$1 million after the seven poisoning deaths in Chicago, was arrested without incident Monday.



(AP Wirephoto)
GOING... & GONE: Arch Bridge collapses under welders' torches after withstanding four blasts from explosives. A new bridge is to replace the span between Walpole and Bellows Falls, Vermont, America, over the Connecticut River.

U.S. broadcast plan to Cuba shelved

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP) — The U.S. government's plan for a radio station to broadcast to the Cuban people about their own country appears to be dead for this session of Congress.

Senate majority leader Howard H. Baker Jr., Republican-Tennessee, said Monday it is unlikely any action will be taken on the proposed station, named Radio Marti after Cuban patriot Jose Marti.

A bill authorizing \$7.5 million to establish the station has been subjected to a filibuster each time it has come up since Congress met in its lame-duck session.

With time running out, Baker indicated the

bill is indefinitely stalled unless its backers and opponents can reconcile their differences.

Supporters of the legislation, led by Sen. Jesse Helms, Republican-North Carolina, say it is needed because the Cubans are not getting accurate information about Cuba and Cuban activities worldwide.

It is opposed by a coalition of midwestern senators and liberal Democrats. The midwesterners say the station would prompt Cuba to retaliate by jamming domestic broadcasts of American stations, especially stations reaching a wide farm audience in the midwest.

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Prospects fade for Reagan bill

Law on immigrants will fail, GAO says

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP) — Prospects are fading for a Reagan administration bill to keep out unwanted immigrants by penalizing people who give them jobs, as an offical U.S. report says other countries have found that such penalties don't work.

The government's General Accounting Office took an intensive look at the experience in West Germany, France, Switzerland and Canada and then told Congress: "First, employers either were able to evade responsibility for illegal employment or, once apprehended, were penalized too little to deter such acts."

"Second, the laws generally were not being effectively enforced because of strict legal constraints on investigations, noncommunication between government agencies, lack of enforcement resolve, and lack on personnel."

The report was delivered confidently after the Senate passed the bill in August. It was made public a month later, but attracted little attention. Now enemies of the bill in the House of Representatives have prepared so many amendments that they seemed likely to kill it or force its withdrawal.

In West Germany, the investigation found: "... Judges have not considered the hiring of illegal aliens a serious violation. Because judges have been lenient, reduced fines had had little deterrent effect. Employers accept the fines as a business cost..."

German officials did not know of any employer ever being imprisoned. Legal proceedings against employees are few because employers and illegal employees cooperate

and refuse to testify against one another."

French judges did not take the offense any more seriously, the investigators found. They said four employers were jailed to 1978, one in 1979 and none in 1980. The average fine in 1980 was 2,080 francs — about \$350.

France was also reported to have had disappointing results with amnesty for some of the illegal aliens already in the country — a provision of the bill before Congress. Before an amnesty offer that expired last January, French officials had expected as many as 300,000 would apply, according to the report. One day before the offer expired, only 80,000 had applied and 30,000 of those failed to meet the conditions.

One condition was that to qualify for the amnesty, the illegal immigrant had to have a contract to get legal wages.

Workers living in a country illegally usually get lower wages and worse working conditions than normal workers.

"By meeting the (French) government's contract conditions, the employers stood to lose their principal incentive for hiring illegal workers — the profits made from exploiting them," the report explained.

It said that in Switzerland, which has no unemployment problem, the greatest deterrent to hiring illegal workers — according to employer representatives — is the possibility that they will be prevented from hiring any foreign workers at all in the future.

"Such a sanction would be catastrophic to employers who rely on foreign workers, especially seasonal workers," the report said.

Titan missiles dismantled

TUBAC, Arizona, Dec. 15 (AP) — For 20 years, towering nuclear sentry lived here, buried in a hill under a 740-ton door. Now the hole is empty, an underground nest without a bird, as the U.S. Air Force dismantles its obsolete Titan 2 nuclear missiles.

Titan site 1-6 is the second of 18 sites in southeast Arizona to be deactivated as the air force retires the last of America's early generation, liquid-fueled nuclear missiles. Seventeen Titans in Arkansas and another 17 in Kansas will be taken out of service later.

The Titans were once the centerpiece of the U.S. strategic missile force, but they have been superseded by more modern, solid-fuel multiple warhead Minuteman, of which the U.S. Air Force has 1,000 deployed in underground silos.

Washington says it is retiring the 52 aging, leaky, liquid-fuel missiles because they are becoming too costly to maintain.

The Titan system has been plagued by

accidents involving spills of its volatile propellant, including two fatal accidents near Damascus.

The latest Titan site to be mothballed, about 72 kilometers south of Tucson, was opened to reporters Tuesday by air force officials for a rare glimpse at its innards.

The missile — 31 meters tall, three meters wide and weighing 151,000 kilograms — was plucked from the ground about a month ago, after its toxic liquid propellants and nuclear warhead were removed. The site itself will remain operational and fully manned for about two more weeks.

From above ground, the only indication that a missile once nested 49 meters below the fenced compound are communications antennas, a wind recorder, sensors, and a square door of concrete and steel covering the silo. Weighing 740 tons it is designed to withstand all but a direct nuclear hit.

Nicaraguan asks for U.S. asylum

MIAMI, Dec. 15 (AP) — The operations chief of Nicaragua's Sandinista Air Force announced he has defected and is asking for political asylum in the United States.

Agustín Roman Maradiaga, 39, said he was disillusioned by "the flagrant violation of human rights by the armed minority of the Marxist-Leninist Sandinistas."

Roman Maradiaga appeared at a news conference called by an anti-Sandinista exile group called the Nicaraguan Democratic Force. He became air force operations chief after the 1979 overthrow of strongman Anastasio Somoza.

A statement by the Nicaraguan Democratic Force said part of his assignment was to fly Sandinista officials to Cuba. He also was said to have taught Cuban nationals to fly the executive jet plane used by Sandinista leaders. The Cuban pilots traveled on Nicaraguan

passports, the statement said.

The statement said Roman Maradiaga reported more than 25 percent of Sandinista Air Force pilots also have deserted, seeking political asylum in neighboring countries. He said so many maintenance personnel have quit. The air force has recorded over 20 airplane accidents since 1979, many of them fatal.

Meanwhile, it was reported that recent shipments from the Soviet bloc may have doubled the number of tanks in Nicaragua's Army, already rated the strongest in Central America.

U.S. Defense Department sources said in Washington Tuesday a Bulgarian merchant ship unloaded Soviet T-54 and T-55 tanks in Nicaragua last month, the first such tank deliveries to that country since mid-1981.

Diana's father defends his art sale

LONDON, Dec. 15 (AP) — Princess Diana's father, the Eighth Earl Spencer, is defending himself against criticism in the art world that he and his wife are selling off inherited art treasures to pay for unnecessary redecoration at Althorp, his stately home.

The Earl, Johnny to his friends, told a reporter that the tax laws are to blame. He said the current 790,000-pound (\$1.2 million) renovation of Althorp, designed to make the house more comfortable, came on top of inheritance taxes and debts of 2.25 million pounds (then \$5.5 million) he had to settle when his father died in 1975.

"That meant something had to go, and a number of paintings have been sold, some-

Manila editor taken home from jail

MANILA, Dec. 15 (AFP) — The editor-publisher of Manila's main opposition newspaper was taken to his suburban home by military escort Wednesday after one week in detention on orders of President Ferdinand Marcos.

Jose Burgos, Jr., who was arrested with nine of his staff on charges of subversion involved in the publication of the *We Forum* tabloid, said, "we deny that we have been engaging in subversive activities."

Burgos told newsmen that he and his nine co-accused were brought out blindfolded from their cells in a maximum security military prison in Fort Bonifacio outside Manila. He said he had been in solidarity until Tues-

day.

Asked about the terms of his release, Burgos said they were not clear cut, and added he was only told that he was under temporary release on house arrest.

"We are not free. Who is free anyway under this setup," he asked. Thus first move will be to ask a court if he can publish *We Forum* again when his subversion trial resumes Friday, he indicated.

According to his father and publishing partner, Jose Burgos, Jr., the military have taken away all typewriters and telephones from the *We Forum* office and sealed the printing press, which was placed under 24-hour guard.

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58th attack in W. Germany

Bomb injures American

FRANKFURT, West Germany, Dec. 15 (AP) — A U.S. soldier was seriously wounded Tuesday when a bomb planted under the seat of his car exploded and the vehicle alight in the 58th attack against American interests in West Germany this year, police and U.S. Army spokesmen said.

Two hours later, a second American soldier had a miraculous escape when he felt something hard under the driver's seat of his car and jumped out of the vehicle.

He found a bomb identical to the one that exploded and wounded a soldier in Butzbach, just outside Frankfurt, a spokesman for the army's V Corps in Frankfurt said. The soldier wounded in Butzbach was serving with B Company, 233rd armored battalion in nearby Kirchhain, but was not immediately identified.

He was reported in "stable" condition 11 hours after the attack at the U.S. Army's 97th general hospital in Frankfurt, where an army spokesman said he was undergoing treatment for leg and internal injuries.

The spokesman, who asked not to be identified,

said identical bombs were used in the two attacks. He quoted one explosives expert examining the devices as saying they were like an 11-pound fire extinguisher bomb found last month in a 26-story apartment building housing U.S. soldiers and their families just outside Frankfurt.

"In each case, identical two kilogram fire extinguishers, explosives, nine volt batteries and a pressure plate were used," the V Corps public affairs spokesman said.

He called the pressure plate "an on-off switch" to detonate the bomb. "This little device was placed on the front seat under the seat cover. When the person sits down, it activates it." Both cars involved in Tuesday's attacks had seat covers on the front seat, he added.

West German police officer said both cases were under investigation by the Karlsruhe federal prosecutor's office responsible for terrorist inquiries. The Bonn government condemned the attacks and set a 50,000 mark reward (\$20,000) for information leading to capture of the bombers.

Ireland hotel Dec. 6, killing 16 persons.

Police sources in Belfast described McGlinchy, wanted both sides of the border, as "a ruthless and fanatical killer" believed to be operating along the border, orchestrating the INLA's current offensive.

The INLA, Marxist offshoot of the underground Irish Republican Army, vowed Monday it will avenge two of its leaders killed by police at a roadblock Sunday with "merciless ferocity."

An officer in the predominantly Protestant police narrowly escaped injury when a booby-trap bomb, an INLA specialty, exploded under his car moments after he parked it outside a Belfast police station.

Troops hunting for Irish terrorist

BELFAST, Dec. 15 (AP) — British and Irish security forces, spearheaded by undercover squads, hunted Tuesday for Domic McGlinchy, Northern Ireland's most wanted terrorist, as the troubled British province steeled itself for a guerrilla offensive.

Thousands of heavily armed troops and police officers in Northern Ireland and the neighboring Irish Republic searched for McGlinchy along the 483-kilometer frontier, checking farmhouses and manning roadblocks.

But they reported no trace of McGlinchy, a veteran guerrilla identified by police sources as a leader of the outlawed Irish National Liberation Army who bombed a Northern

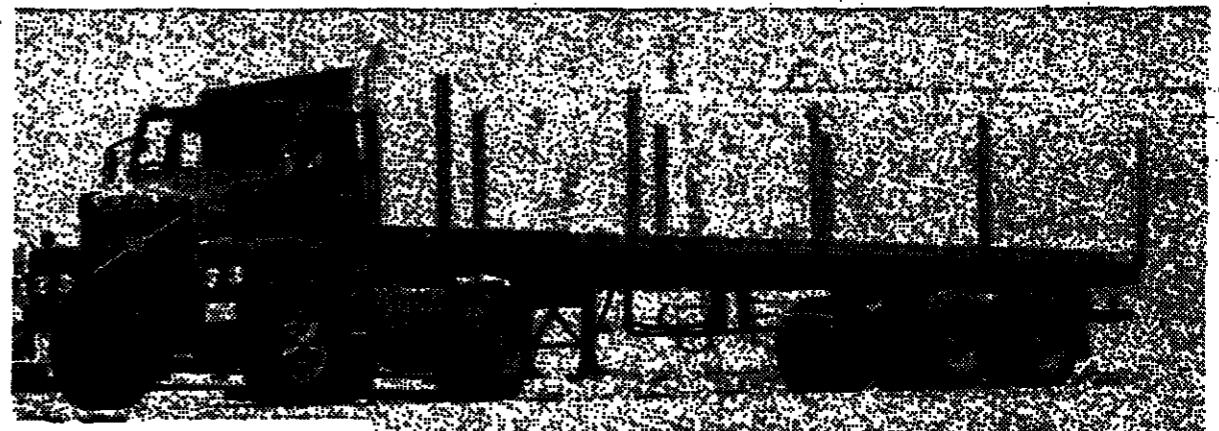
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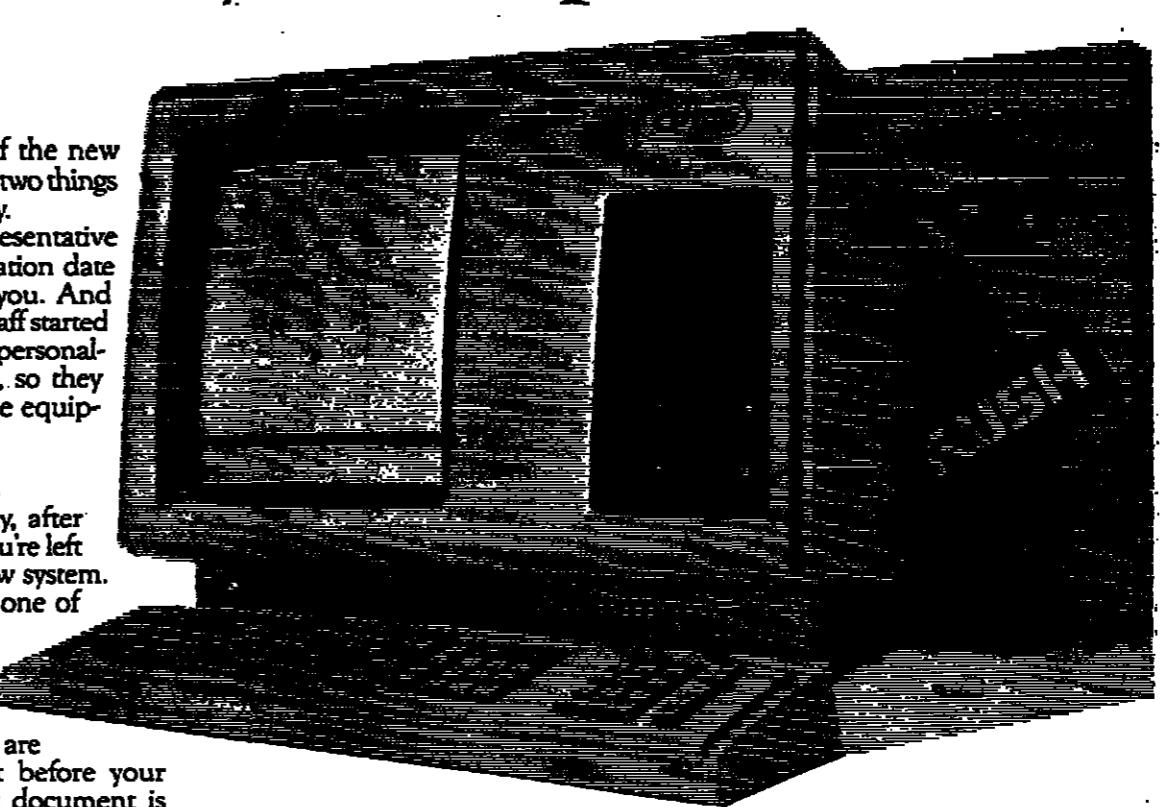
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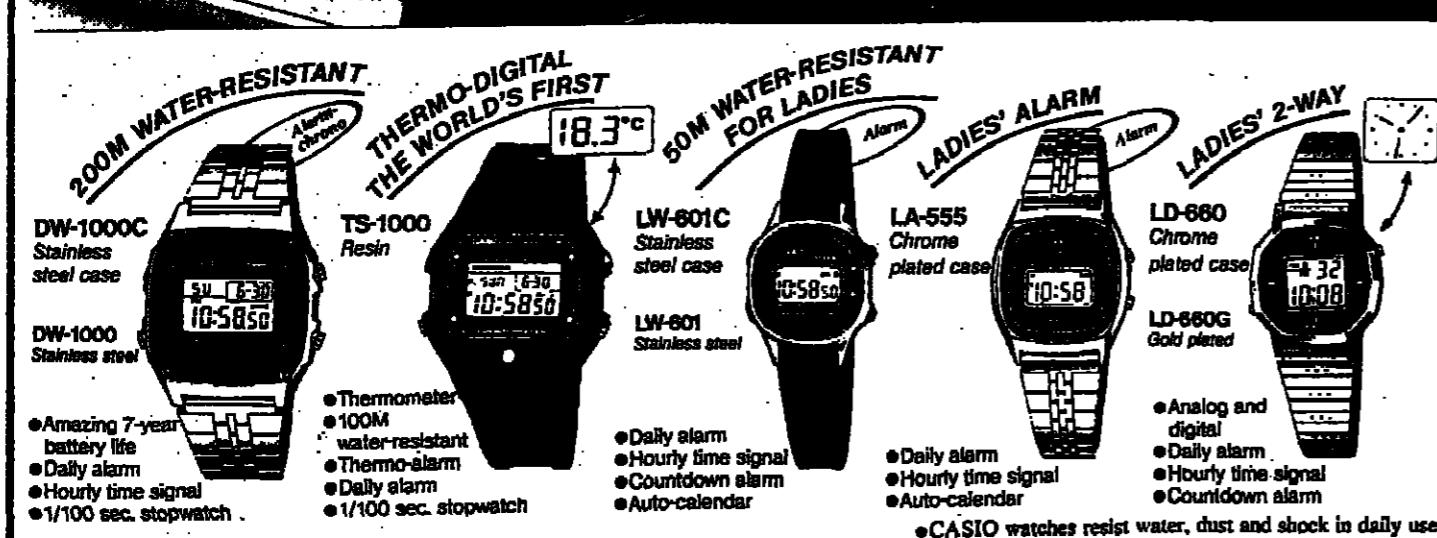
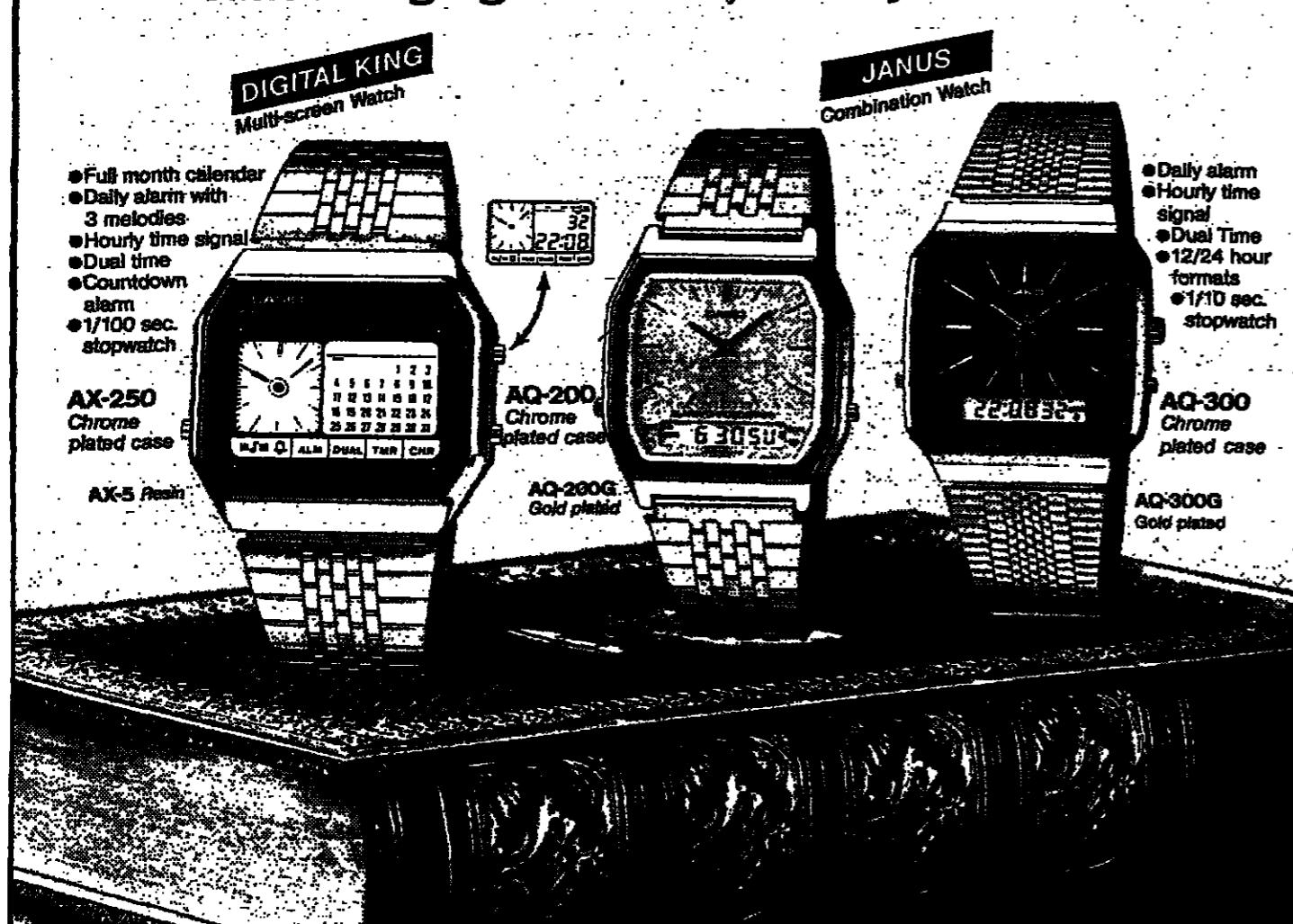
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Lost Honor-- 6

Deep Throat: Alexander Haig fits well enough

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Focusing on the week before and the week after each meeting, I combed *The New York Times*, *The Washington Post*, *The Los Angeles Times*, and all the "Watergate books" that made mention of Haig. I studied Nixon's memoirs, Kissinger's memoirs, the Haig biography—everything I could get my hands on. While some sources established that he definitely was in Washington on a couple of dates, and that he was in Washington shortly before or after other dates, the important point, I felt, was that I could establish that he was not in Washington on only one date: Oct. 19, 1972.

Was Alexander Haig the type of person who would leak on a president he pretended to serve?

This was not a question that needed answering in my own mind, because based on everything I knew about the man I had no difficulty believing that Al Haig was capable of duplicitous and self-serving behavior, or of "leaking," either. Rather, I felt an obligation to examine this question "for the record."

Others who had worked with Haig had written books in which the general had come under close inspection. Since they knew Haig better than I did, I looked to see what they had to say about him.

I read what former Vice President Spiro Agnew had written about the role Alexander Haig had played in forcing his own resignation. Evidently it had been a job that Nixon had been unwilling to do himself. In his memoir of the time, *Go Quietly...Or Else*, Agnew says:

"The American people should know that in the last hectic year or more of his residence in the White House, Richard Nixon did not actually administer all the powers of the presidency. As I have stated earlier, it was Gen. Haig who was the *de facto* president. Haig had the power of the bureaucracy at his command, and the Washington insiders knew he was standing there behind Nixon, pulling the strings. Haig had direct connections with the C.I.A. and the F.B.I. and every other agency. For four years he had been Henry Kissinger's chief deputy with clear access to all the government; his power extended into any agency he chose. The very survival of the Nixon presidency was threatened."

"I am also convinced that Haig desired not only to move me out, but in due course, after someone else had been brought into the vice-presidency, to move Nixon out, too. I really think that by this time, Al Haig already knew enough about the discrepancies in the tapes—and the truth about Nixon's involvement in the Watergate cover-up—to be convinced that eventually the president himself must go. And Haig did not want me in the line of succession."

But if anyone had doubts about Al Haig's ability to turn on Richard Nixon, the story carried in the Dec. 5, 1976 *Washington Star* evidences more than mere disloyalty at a time he was proclaiming his fealty to the man. According to the *Star* article, two months before Nixon resigned, Haig allegedly ordered the army's Criminal Investigations Command to conduct a secret investigation into any Nixon connections with huge cash contributions from countries in the Far East. What, specifically, did Haig want? According to the chief investigator, Haig wanted to know if Jack Canfield and Tony Ullasowicz had traveled to the Far East and brought money back to Nixon. Haig also wanted to know if Nixon had ever been mixed up with organized crime. What did the investigator report? "I concluded that (Canfield and Ullasowicz) probably had gone to Vietnam, and I considered there were strong indications of a history of Nixon connections with money from organized crime." To my knowledge, Al Haig had never commented on his actions in calling for this investigation. But it took little imagination to figure out what he might have done with such information, had he been trying to force Nixon from office. It also took little imagination to appreciate that a man who would institute a secret criminal investigation against the president would have little trouble being the instrument of his ruin.

While I could only speculate about Haig's motives in supplying Woodward with information, there could have been many. The most obvious motive might have been pure disgust with the amateurishness of many of the Watergate-type activities. From the Ellsberg break-in to the Watergate break-in, Liddy and Hunt botched everything. Haig, from his relationship with the National Security Council and the CIA, knew how the

prosperity—and supported the justification that such activities were in the best interest of the nation. Another motive might have been self-protection, since Al Haig appears to have been aware of what the plumbers were doing, and may have known how they were doing it. He could have been steering Woodward, and the media in general, away from activities we still don't know about.

In speculating about Deep Throat's possible motives in giving information to Woodward, I also had to keep in mind that, if the man's motives were not sinister, but noble—if he believed the future of the nation was at stake—then an examination of Deep Throat's character and personality would necessarily take on a different slant. I looked again at *All the President's Men*, and found a passage that seemed to sum up the author's assessment of this question:

"The reporters tended to doubt that someone in his position would be so cavalier toward matters affecting Richard Nixon or the presidency itself. More likely, they thought, Deep Throat was trying to protect the office, to effect a change in its conduct before all was lost."

Maybe Woodward and Bernstein were right. I did not find it hard to believe that Deep Throat had acted out of conscience and not malice. In fact, I suspected that most people would prefer to believe this. Nor did I find it hard to believe that Alexander Haig could have given Woodward information because of a strong belief that it was the right thing for the country.

Fourth question: Did Haig have access to the information that Deep Throat had given Woodward?

Roger Morris, who was there at the time, says:

"All the (FBI) reports came routinely each day to Haig, who from the outset was NSC liaison with the FBI. An FBI agent attached to the NSC staff reported to Haig in internal security matters."

"Later, when everyone scrambled (because of Watergate and its fallout) to avoid responsibility, to present themselves as innocent caught in unseemly circumstances, no investigating body understood—and Haig never admitted—that from Jan. 20, 1969, he was the sole executor of the busy, ongoing NSC-FBI liaison, the 'staff man' for wiretaps."

Al Haig, by his own admission, had a long-standing relationship with the FBI. It appeared the kind of relationship that would enable him to keep abreast of the Watergate investigation without anyone's really knowing it—aside from his sources in the FBI.

Fifth question: Did Haig have unique access to information that only a few people had?

Much of the information that Deep Throat knew was known by many people. While it is impossible to know who might have whispered secrets to whom, thus broadening the circle of knowledge, working logically two particular bits of information that were given to Woodward by his friend easily point to Al Haig.

On March 5, 1973, *Time* magazine broke a story that the White House had wiretapped newsmen and White House aids in an effort to track down leaks. The White House denied the story was true, although it was true. *Time* had cracked this case, but they could not learn from their sources in the FBI and the Justice Department who had been bugged. The records of the taps had been removed by Bill Sullivan, and passed by Bob Mardian to the White House. When the *Time* story broke, the records were in John Ehrlichman's safe.

When Woodward met with his friend in late February, shortly before Pat Gray's confirmation hearings, Deep Throat was able to tell Bob that Gray had been aware of these wiretaps and that the work was done by an "out-of-channels vigilance squad." This last piece of information could have been a deliberate effort to mislead Woodward, since it was not true. Deep Throat also gave Woodward the names of two people who had been tapped: "Hedrick Smith and Neji Sheehan of *The New York Times*." It is the revelation of these names that is the extraordinary information.

I found it interesting that, first, Deep Throat could state flatly that Gray knew about the tape, when he was also saying this was not an FBI operation, and when the Watergate special prosecutor would be unable to prove that Gray knew after an intense investigation with the full resources



ALEXANDER HAIG: "The Al Haig I knew was a clever, ambitious bureaucrat, a known 'talker' whose principal loyalty was to the advancement of his own career," says the author.

of the FBI Justice Department, and several years of digging. Second, the only people who knew the names of those who had been tapped at the time the information was given to Woodward were Richard Nixon, Henry Kissinger, John Ehrlichman, John Mitchell, Bob Mardian, a very small group in the FBI, Bill Sullivan, Mark Fell, and the man who gave the FBI the names—Al Haig.

When you add to this the scarcely known secret that was given to Woodward about the "deliberate erasures" on the court-subpoenaed tape, Haig passes another test that uniquely qualifies him as the most likely person to have been Woodward's friend.

Sixth question: Was there evidence that Deep Throat had continued as a source for Woodward, and did Haig fit that category?

The last reported meeting that Woodward had with his friend in *All the President's Men* was that crucial conversation in which he was told of the "deliberate erasures." That meeting allegedly occurred the first week of November, 1973. Yet Bob and Carl continued to report on Watergate for many more months, and, presumably, Bob continued to receive information from his friend.

Yet it was more that Haig's unique access to particular information that made him a compelling candidate. When Woodward and Bernstein wrote *The Final Days*, Al Haig emerged as a hero, although others who were also there during those days saw Haig much differently. Years ago I had been told that Woodward had made several trips to Brussels during the time he was working on *The Final Days*. Of course, NATO Chief Haig was then in Brussels. Personally, I can't imagine how anyone could read *The Final Days* and not conclude that Haig had been a primary source. But it was the final aspect of this last test that produced the most convincing evidence that Haig was the one.

When I looked to see what, if anything, Bob Woodward might have had to say about Al Haig in recent years, I was incredulous. When Bob returned to *The Washington Post* after his leave of absence from working on *The Brethren*, he became a metropolitan editor. That's where he was when President Reagan nominated Al Haig to become his secretary of state.

On Jan. 15, 1981, at a time when there was considerable renewed controversy over Haig's role in the Nixon White House, Bob Woodward wrote an editorial-page column arguing that the Senate committee consider-

ing Haig's nomination should not try to obtain the White House tapes of his conversations with Nixon as chief of staff. Citing everything from the Supreme Court's tape decision to practical considerations, Woodward was all but giving his official blessing to Reagan's nomination of Haig. Careful not to call Haig "the hero" of Watergate, Bob's column was just the kind of boost Haig's nomination needed at that moment. After all, he was one of the most knowledgeable Watergate reporters in Washington, in effect saying, "Haig's okay." Yet anyone who was familiar with Haig's actions during his tenure as chief of staff at the Nixon White House, had to know, that his performance raised serious questions.

I thought about all I knew about Al Haig personally, what I had learned, that a lot of *Washington Post* insiders felt he was Woodward's friend, that Haig's colleagues at *Time* magazine had placed Haig at the top of their list, and, but for that Oct. 9 meeting, that the evidence seemed incredibly persuasive.

I reviewed and re-reviewed the now voluminous notes from the work that Hays, Pete Kinsey, and I had done during the past several months. We had talked to a lot of people about who might be Woodward's friend. And over the years I had amassed a sizable file. Either by myself, or through others, I had been able to reach into the FBI, the CIA, the Department of Justice, and the Secret Service. I obtained information from people who had served in the Nixon White House, on the National Security Council, plus people associated with potential candidates for Woodward's friend after they had left government or gone on to other places within the government. I had looked at Bob's sixth-floor balcony, where he had once signaled his mysterious friend, tracked down people who had lived in his building, The Webster House of P Street, as part of my pursuit. Also I had uncovered the names of everyone who lived in his neighborhood while he was living there, and a list of who had offices in the Brookings Institute, from which you can see Woodward's old apartment building. I had obtained information from people who knew Bob at the Pentagon (1969-70), looked at the articles he had written for the *Montgomery County Sentinel*, where he first worked as a reporter, and everything he had written for *The Washington Post* prior to Watergate. I had discussed with people who had worked

for him.

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Much ado in Britain about visual TV shock

By Katharine Whitehorn

LONDON (OSS) — Like a three-year-old who has proudly learned to count up to four, the British are beside themselves because they now have four television channels to choose from instead of three.

At the same time, there are plans for the introduction of cable TV, now perfectly ordinary in America, and there is a good deal of genuine worry about the idea of adult programs that can be beamed into houses where there are small children. Naturally enough, there is enormous fuss about all this, but unfortunately protesters are throwing their case away by making as much fuss about unimportant things as about the major issues.

The thing that gets my goat about the protesters is not that they find certain films or certain programs revolting—the horror films or cop serials designed to glorify police brutality on their way from America are revolting.

It is not that they wistfully yearn for channels showing only programs they like—I wouldn't mind a channel, myself, that showed nothing but science programs, old movies and the sort of costume serials that let you off having to read the book.

Nor do I blame them for perfectly justified worry over uncontrolled cable, and their distrust of safeguards. In most families the only person who would understand a locking device would be the children.

And in any event, about the one thing studies of TV and violence have shown is that it is exactly those neglected, maybe disturbed, youngsters whose viewing would be quite unrestricted who would be most likely to copy the violence they saw.

No, what drives me to frenzy is their apparently total inability to distinguish between one kind of offensiveness and another: between a program that's trying to say something a bit way out and difficult that may tread on a few toes, and a film that's straight sadistic exploitation of bloodlust.

Then there is the outrage of visual shock. Visual impact is certainly different from the impact of print: written words and the act of reading do provide some sort of mental filter which isn't there when an image hits the eye. But visual shock isn't necessarily reprehensible. I can't stand, myself, to see medical operations—not snakes, come to that, they make me dream. But cobras and heart transplants don't have to be kept off the screen just to stop me passing out cold on the floor.

The lingering, sticky, sadistic shot of someone slicing into a woman with a razor is horrible, while a surgical operation is not: because what is being done is horrible and a good director could probably make your hair stand on end just as much with something less explicit off camera as he could by showing every detail.

Because the evidence I had accumulated pointed toward Haig—his knowledge of the erased tape and the names of the newsmen who had been wiretapped, his long-standing relationship with the FBI, his general and intimate knowledge of the Nixon White House—it also raised the possibility that Deep Throat might be someone closely associated with Haig, someone close enough to have moved with him from job to job, or traveled with him. It was even possible that Haig had not leaked information himself, but had sanctioned someone else's doing so.

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But then what you're discussing is whether there's any need to bring such things to our attention at all. If it's the latest piece of demoniac possession it almost certainly isn't: if it's a question of El Salvador it probably is. But the fact that something is shocking to see is not, in itself, the concluding argument either way.

The effect of all these goons screaming their heads off about the bits that do not matter is that sophisticated and powerful people are likely to discount any protest about cable TV and so forth altogether; they are creating a situation where there's no middle ground between letting anything be shown, anywhere, however frightful, and wanting a single channel with nothing on it but the Waltons and the Muppets.



HAMBURGERS: The latest residents to join the cat population of Hamburg, Germany, are these two giant creations. The massive cats that dominate the downtown area are the work of Mariusz Kowalewski, a Polish art student. One cat seven meters high.

Italy's moonlight economy thrives amid recession

By Andrew Hurst

ROME (R) — Ninety percent of ski boots produced in the world come from Monte Belluna in northern Italy though there is not a single officially registered boot factory in the area.

The elusive workers in the small town close to the fashionable ski slopes of the dolomite mountains are just one contingent in a huge moonlight army of cobblers, tailors and mechanics that are keeping afloat Italy's battered economy.

Economists told an academic conference held recently that while the country's official economy faces the icy blast of recession, Italy's "submerged economy" employing some four million workers is still growing.

The moonlight workers toil long hours, mostly in small workshops, and cost the Italian exchequer hundreds of millions of dollars in unpaid taxes. Some experts have estimated that the Italian economy could be as much as 20 percent bigger than the official figures would have the world believe. One American banker said that the true figure could be even higher than that.

The submerged industries have so far been able to resist the onslaught from Third World exporters because of low costs, extreme flexibility and the high quality of their goods,

sociologist at Turin University. Many "official" companies farm out work to moonlight workers and some employ them directly on a part-time basis. Half the workers in my gardening business are declared and put in a few hours' work in the late afternoon after clocking off at the nearby Fiat works," says Riccardo, who runs a small business near Turin. "Of course, if I told the taxman I was employing these people I would go bust overnight," he adds laconically.

But whole industries are almost entirely "submerged" and have developed an elaborate organization of their labor.

"As demand has grown for the hidden economy's products, it has become increasingly specialized and efficient, developing its own economies of scale," says Paolo Leon, an economist at Rome University. People have also found that mass production under one roof is not always the most effective way of going about their business.

"In the submerged shoe industry, for example, you will get one workshop employing at most 10 persons making only heels, while another produces soles and a third specializes in uppers. A fourth workshop will carry out the assembly," said Leon.

Buyers from world-famous stores like Macy's in New York and Harrods in London,

With exports falling

Japan economy seen running out of steam

TOKYO, Dec. 15 (AP) — Sluggish exports and skimpier company profits are enough to show that Japan's nicely-rounded economic expansion is now under threat.

As little as a year ago, Japan was a shining light in the international gloom. Now the dark mists of recession are drifting this way.

The recent political crisis here reflected dissent within the Japanese "establishment" as to the best way of coping with the harsher economic climate. For there is little doubt that Japan must sail a new tack if its balanced growth still maintained in 1980 despite two oil price jumps, is to continue.

A glance at the parameters customarily adopted for measuring a nation's economic performance shows that Japan still has much to envy. Its payments are currently \$7.2 billion in surplus, its inflation is only three or four percent despite sharp depreciation of the yen for much of the year, the official unemployment rate is below 2.4 percent.

The Japanese can be proud, too, of their 3.4 percent real terms growth, even though this falls short of the initially targeted 5.2 percent.

Exports have been the driving force behind this growth, but they lack their erstwhile vigor and the yen's depreciation has failed to give them a lift this time.

In the first nine months of 1982, the year-on-year fall worsened from one or two percent to 10 percent. Not only has demand contracted in the key markets, but Japan has

U.N. commodity fund in peril

LONDON, Dec. 15 (LOS) — A new international fund designed to steady world commodity prices is in danger of collapsing, largely because rich countries drove such a hard bargain in negotiations that many poor countries have lost interest.

The common Fund for Commodities is "unfinished business" from the 1944 Bretton Woods conference which set up the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank. The economist J.M. Keynes argued then for an international trade authority that could help steady commodity prices.

Not until 1977 did rich and poor countries begin to negotiate the fund. That was at UNCTAD — the UN Conference on Trade and Development — where it was proposed

Congressmen get 15% pay hike

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15 (AP) — The House of Representatives approved 303-109 on Tuesday a \$9,138 pay raise for itself and the Senate. The 15 percent increase would put salaries of members of the U.S. Congress at \$69,800 annually.

Then, on 208-208 tie, the House defeated a move to rescind the raise it had just approved.

The issue now goes to the Senate, where tough opposition was expected. Earlier, the Senate voted 54-38 to repeal a limit on outside income for its members.

exercised restraint as in the case of automobiles, and seen its exports hampered by others as in the case of video tape recorders.

Output cuts are being applied in branches like audio equipment and electronics, while certain companies are diversifying, Nissan for example into armaments.

Official unemployment figures remain low and the social ills of the works' are less evident than abroad, but the true jobless situation is probably much worse than the official picture reveals if allowance is made for all those who would gladly work if they could.

The drop in the yen, coupled with falling demand, has hit company profits. In a recent survey of half the 900 firms quoted on the stock exchange the newspaper *Nikkei Keizai* found that profit between April and September declined by 17 percent on a year earlier. This is the first such decline since 1977, and the paper said it was worse than anticipated.

Struggling with a weak home market, industry has for months been urging a Keynesian type boost. It is suggested that Japan's trading partners would welcome this chance to increase their product sales here.

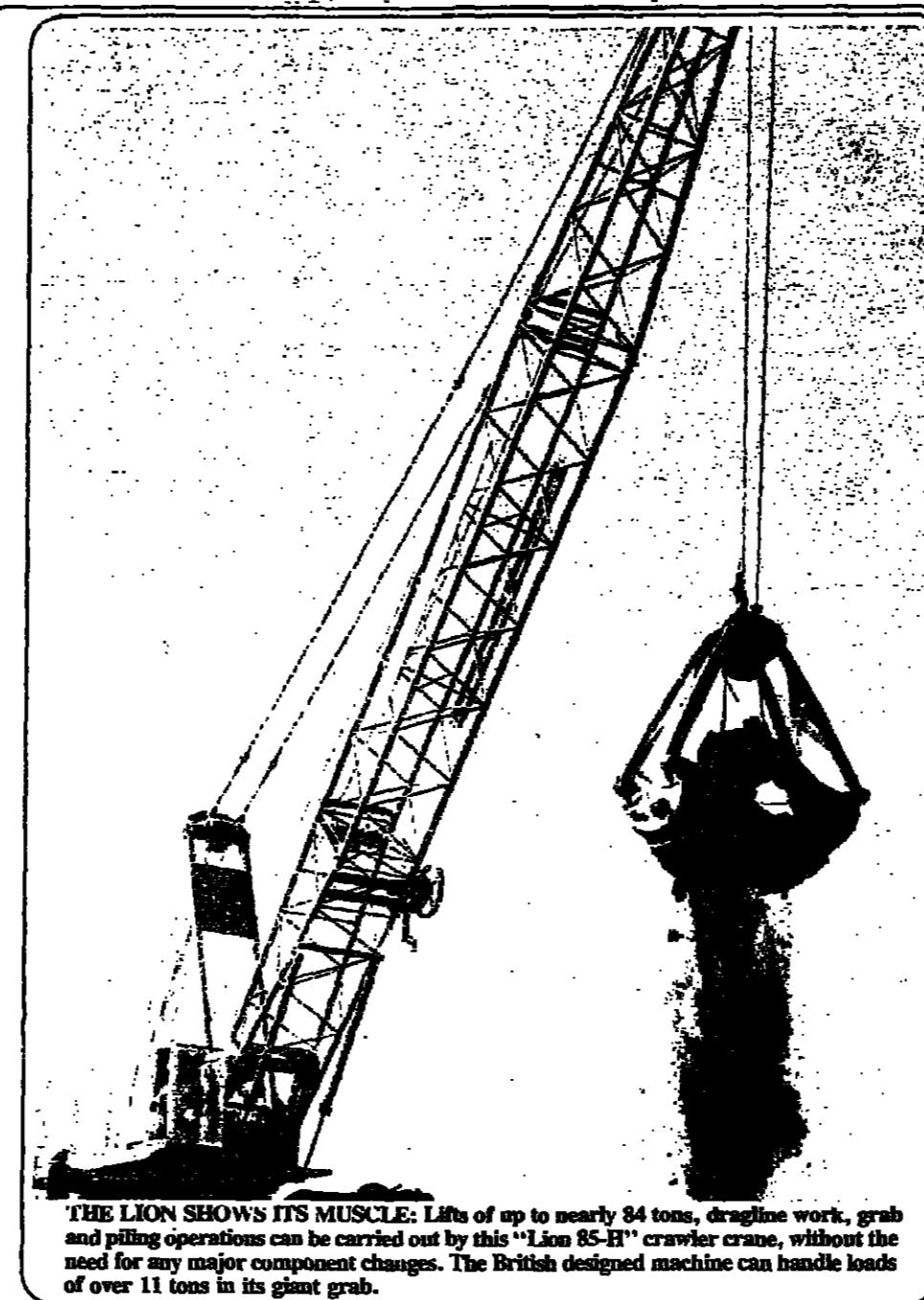
Easier monetary policy, ruled out as long as the yen was weak, now seems realistic as a means of stimulating demand, as the yen has gained 10 percent on the dollar.

Compared with the IMF (assets around \$70 billion) and the World Bank (assets \$45 billion) many developing countries believe that \$750 million to steady the prices of up to 20 of the world's largest trading commodities is derisory.

One African minister said the tiger they hoped for had been turned into a mouse. Developing countries have taken the unusual step of striking back with a virtual boycott. The fund can only begin when 90 countries have ratified the agreement reached in 1980. By this week only 37 had done so, including Britain, France, Japan and seven other Western countries. Out of more than 120 developing countries only 27 had ratified.

Jan Pronk, UNCTAD deputy secretary-general, said many developing countries were frustrated by the outcome of negotiations and don't now think the fund is very worth while. It has been estimated that measures to steady the price of just one commodity, copper, would cost around \$2 billion, almost three times the new fund's capital.

Many developing countries appear to have decided that it is not worth paying the \$1 million entrance fee to join. Ten of the 27 developing countries that have ratified are in the least developed category and are having their entrance fee paid for them by OPEC. So acute is the lack of support for the fund that UNCTAD has given serious thought to abandoning the whole idea "and going for something different or new," said Pronk.



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Boon to industry EEC lauds new MFA accord

BRUSSELS, Dec. 15 (AP) — The new textile multifiber arrangement (MFA) for 1982-86 has given the European textile industry a four-year "breathing space", chief EEC textile negotiator Horst Krenzler has said.

And, in London, British Trade Minister Lord Cockfield told parliament that the new MFA had struck a fair balance between the interests of Third World countries and those of industrialized nations.

On Monday the EEC confirmed its participation in the MFA after finally clinching a textile accord with South Korea, the last of 26 countries with which the community has been holding bilateral textile talks over the past 12 months.

In terms of the accords, Krenzler said, import quotas from the major low-cost textile producers — Hong Kong, South Korea, Macao and Taiwan — will be cut by between 6.3 to 8.6 percent.

These four producers together account for nearly half of EEC textile imports from MFA countries. As a result, the growth of 1983 imports will be under five percent.

And some countries, such as Indonesia, Sri Lanka, Pakistan, the Philippines and India, will even be able to step up textile exports to one percent a year.

Krenzler said he was particularly pleased

Canada assures Pakistan farm aid

ISLAMABAD, Dec. 15 (AP) — Arthur Wright, vice president of the Canadian International Development Agency, assured the Pakistani government of his country's continued assistance in farm development and research.

Wright, on a visit to Pakistan for studying rain-fed farming, said these lands face the threat of waterlogging and salinity. Rain-fed farming is spread over six million hectares and has become important because of severe pressure on canal-irrigated lands.

Canada is already assisting Pakistan in research and development of farming systems, farm range management, oilseeds production, and the evolution of large-scale, rain-fed farming operations.

Wright said he will continue discussions on the farm development plans with officials of the Pakistan agricultural research council, a government agency.

Win contracts worth \$15b
Turkish firms enjoy boom

ISTANBUL, Dec. 15 (R) — Turkish construction companies are enjoying a boom across North Africa and throughout the Middle East, winning contracts worth \$15 billion — 10 times what they had on their books four years ago.

Some 150 Turkish companies are now at work abroad, almost all in the Middle East and North Africa, building dams, tunnels, housing schemes, factories, sporting centers and other projects. In the late 1970s a rock-bottom domestic market forced Turkish contractors to look overseas to fill their order books.

Contracts won abroad by Turkish companies since 1978 have increased ten fold to a total value at the end of this year of around \$15 billion, according to various estimates.

Contractors say the keys to their success are expertise and experience built up over 25 years at home, the relative cheapness of Turkish labor, cultural ties and closeness to the Middle East and a record of finishing on time.

But the construction company's success, an outstanding feature of Turkey's economic recovery in the past few years, has not been achieved without problems.

Contractors have had difficulties getting foreign loans because of Turkey's recent history of political and economic turmoil. To get loans many firms have been forced into partnerships with foreign firms. Now bankers and

contractors say a major step is being taken toward solving the problems.

The International Finance Corporation (IFC) is arranging a major lending scheme. Contractors estimate it will enable Turkish firms to finance contracts worth a total of around \$2 billion and generate employment for some 20,000 people.

Bankers say the IFC facility is as important as a symbol of growing international confidence in Turkish firms. "It's a sign of confidence in Turkish contractors which could help to attract more foreign banks," one foreign banker said in Istanbul.

Large American bankers are also becoming interested in the contractor's success. The bank played a leading role in getting initial backing for a \$425 million water project in Saudi Arabia to be run by the Turkish firm Tefken.

In April, the bank also put together a loan for the companies Enka and Kutudus which won a joint \$384 million contract to build a housing complex in Saudi Arabia.

Citibank is also thinking of financing Turkish construction companies. A bank official said they had made about 30 site visits on projects by top companies and assessed nearly a third as excellent, none fell below a "very good" rating.

Turkish contractors are confident that, although a leveling off in the rate of new contracts is inevitable, they will be able to sustain their high success rate abroad.

Caracas faces liquidity crisis

CARACAS, Dec. 15 (R) — Continuing uncertainty over the stability of Venezuela's economy is seriously affecting its debt refinancing plans and could contribute to a liquidity crisis in the near future, banking and financial sources said.

Despite the consolidation of foreign reserves in September, capital outflows are still high and several sources said the government must show clearly that it is in control of the situation.

One foreign banker said government leaders have to convince the international banking community they have a coherent strategy to manage their budget and reserves.

News over the weekend that the government will tap \$1.75 billion of the oil industry's \$4.1 billion investment reserve confirms the strain being felt in treasury finances, the sources said.

The money is being used to pay government debts to three major banks suffering liquidity shortages, Banco de Los Trabajadores, Bandagro and Banco Industrial. There was little option but to use the state-owned Petroleos de Venezuela (PDVSA) funds to head off a banking crisis, they said.

The government, meanwhile, has been unable to get its \$18.1 billion 1983 budget through congress as the opposition insists on waiting for outcome of the Dec. 19 OPEC conference.

Next year's budget was based on output of 2.1 million barrels of oil per day (bpd), but a return to Venezuela's 1.5 million bpd OPEC quota would knock around 25 percent off budgeted export income of \$15.8 billion, the sources noted.

Venezuela's major short-term problem remains that of refinancing its \$8.7 billion short-term debt in the face of growing resistance from European and Japanese banks, the sources said.

A number of Venezuelan agencies have been hard hit by the unwillingness of European and U.S. regional banks to lend to Latin America. The result has been a series of late payments as well as shortfalls in the refinancing program.

The first two loans signed, for Fonden and Inavi, were relatively well received with a 75 percent commitment and a shortfall of \$215 million out of \$1.08 billion.

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The 100,000-member National and Local Government Officers Association and two smaller unions voted to accept a pay rise offer of 6 percent.

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Withholding goods to Soviets**U.S., France agree on trade study**

PARIS, Dec. 15 (AP) — U.S. Secretary of State George P. Shultz and French Foreign Minister Claude Cheysson announced agreement on a study to develop a new Western trade strategy with the Soviet Union aimed at withholding Western goods that would enhance Soviet military strength.

The surprise disclosure that the French had agreed to the study came hours after Shultz had appeared at a press conference where he indicated the French still had major questions and were not yet in agreement. He had said at the press conference it was "irrelevant" whether France had agreed or not.

But reporters received a last-minute invitation to a banquet given by Cheysson in Shultz' honor at which the two men announced the framework of the study. As described by Shultz, the major points are: A study to strengthen an informal international organization known as Cocom which coordinates export controls of goods thought to have military potential.

A further study within Cocom on what if anything should be done to prevent high technology goods, possibly including oil and gas equipment, which do not have direct military application but may be related to overall security interests, from reaching the Soviet union. A study in the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development to keep track of financial and trade flows between the Soviet bloc and the West.

A study, also within the OECD, to study

alternate sources of energy for Europe and whether Europe's current move to import natural gas from the Soviet Union constitutes a long-term security threat.

Another study, also in the OECD, to make sure that the West is not providing the Soviet Union with resources that strengthen its military capability and undermine Western efforts to build up their own military strength.

Shultz said the individual studies may be brought together and given further consideration by NATO, especially those related to security.

According to both Shultz and Cheysson, NATO will be given a major role in developing an overall new trade strategy after the studies are completed. Shultz said Japan, which is not a NATO member but is a

member of OECD should also be included in the new strategy and ways will be found to do this.

Cheysson said he hopes the "first conclusions" of the study will be ready for consideration at the NATO foreign ministers' meeting in Paris in June and also at the seventh international economic summit conference in Williamsburg, that same month.

Shultz said other allies would be consulted on the agreements reached in Paris, especially since they go beyond the result of a U.S.-backed trade study announced in Washington last month from which France dissented.

The agreement announced Tuesday night means France apparently is solidly behind the studies.

W.German jobless seen at 3m

KIEL, West Germany, Dec. 15 (R) — Unemployment in West Germany will soar to nearly three million or about 12.5 percent of the workforce in early 1984, the Kiel Institute of World Economics said Wednesday.

The institute said the figure was probably the highest level unemployment would reach in the current recession. The jobless total rose to 2.04 million or 8.4 percent last month and Chancellor Helmut Kohl has described it as the most urgent problem facing his new center-right government.

Although the German unemployment rate is low compared with that in countries like the United States, Britain and Canada, its rapid rise has caused widespread alarm.

The Kiel institute predicted that an average of 2.4 million people would be out of work next year, in line with the government's own figure of 2.35 million but nearly double the 1.27 million recorded in 1981.

The West German gross national product, the broadest measure of economic performance, was expected to fall by one percent this year and the institute said zero growth in 1983 was the best that could be hoped for due

to industry's present weakness.

Inflation, which last month fell to an annual 4.5 percent, will probably still be above three percent at the end of 1983, underpinned by a rise in value added tax next July, the institute said.

Wage settlements next year will probably average about three percent, restrained by the fear of unemployment but also influenced by the likelihood inflation will be over four percent when negotiations take place this winter, it said.

The first shots have already been fired in the 1983 wage round, with the giant metal engineering union demanding a 6.5 percent rise nationwide and 7.5 percent in the Southern state of Baden-Wurttemberg.

Employers have already dismissed the demand as unrealistic and Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg has urged the union to reconsider.

The Kiel institute criticized the new government for failing to develop a medium-term program and said its policies would lead to falling demand and declining economic activity in this winter.

Jakarta favors OPEC quota hike

JAKARTA, Dec. 15 (R) — Energy Minister Subroto left for the Vienna OPEC meeting saying he will seek a higher production quota but his main objective is to hold the OPEC together.

There is a real danger the OPEC price structure will collapse, he told Reuters in an interview, and the problem is not only to defend it from external pressures, but also from internal ones.

Informal sources said Indonesia feels that continued arguing over production levels will serve little purpose and what is really needed is reaffirmation by all members of support for the organization.

It is possible that Subroto, last year's OPEC president, will suggest the calling of an OPEC summit at the earliest opportunity followed by another ministerial meeting no later

than February, the sources said.

Subroto and the oil ministers of Algeria and the United Arab Emirates (UAE) might offer to undertake a tour of all member countries to help organize such a summit, they added.

Subroto said "we are looking for three things — firstly, and of the utmost importance, is to preserve OPEC's unity, secondly, is to defend the \$34 a barrel benchmark price, and finally we are looking for an increase in our quota."

Jakarta would like its present OPEC-imposed 1.3 million barrel per day (bpd) production ceiling raised to "at least 1.5 million particularly in view of our budget limitations and constraints for 1983-84," Subroto said.

BRIEFS

PARIS, (R) — French retail prices rose an estimated one percent in November, after a 0.3 percent rise in October, the statistics institute, Insee, said. The institute gave no year-on-year figures for inflation, but economists calculated it at 4.4 percent after 9.3 percent in the year to October.

PEKING, (AFP) — An agency has been set up to collect taxes from oil companies joining in offshore operations with China. The New China News Agency reported Wednesday. No reason was given by NCNA for the finance ministry's setting up of an agency separate from the existing ones for the handling of foreign companies and joint-venture companies operating in China.

SYDNEY, (R) — One of the world's most famous trains, the Indian-Pacific linking Sydney and Perth, has been stopped in its tracks by a union dispute, a spokesman for Australian National Railways said Wednesday. The trans-continent train had not run since Dec. 4 because of a row over how many staff should be aboard and there appears little prospect of it being back in service in the near future, he added.

TORONTO, (R) — Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce said it is lowering its prime rate to 12.5 percent from 13 percent

effectively Friday. Canadian Imperial is the first bank to move to the 12.5 percent level.

PARIS, (R) — France's official gold and foreign currency reserves rose 1.92 billion francs in November to 257.01 billion after a 1.17 billion rise in October, the economy ministry said. In November last year official reserves were 328.45 billion francs.

WASHINGTON, (AFP) — Sales by U.S. companies dropped 2.2 percent in October to \$332 billion, the sharpest fall since 1975.

The Commerce Department said. Since production was well down, stocks dipped 0.1 percent.

ROME, (R) — Italian industrial output, seasonally adjusted, fell a provisional 4.1 percent in October after rising 20.3 percent in September, the National Statistics Institute, Istat, said. Year-on-year seasonally adjusted output fell a provisional 5.4 percent in October compared with a 5.9 percent year-on-year decline in September.

LONDON, (R) — Manufacturing output in Britain fell to a new 15 year low in October, central statistical office said. Manufacturing production in October fell provisionally 0.8 percent after a 0.2 percent rise in September, and was 3.1 percent lower than a year ago, provisional statistical office figures show.

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Cooper checks Abdul-Jabbar to help Trail Blazers slip thru

NEW YORK, Dec. 15 (AP) — Even though Wayne Cooper can't block Kareem Abdul-Jabbar's shots, that doesn't mean that the Portland center is powerless to stop the Los Angeles Lakers' star.

Cooper held Abdul-Jabbar to two points in the final quarter as Portland defeated Los Angeles 107-103 in a National Basketball Association game Tuesday night.

The 6-foot-10 Cooper, who had 17 points and six rebounds compared to 14 points and four rebounds for Abdul-Jabbar, said the key to containing the 7-2 Lakers center is keeping him away from his favorite shooting spots.

"I don't think he ever got into the flow of the game early, and that hurt him later on," Cooper said of Abdul-Jabbar. "I tried to push him as far away from his spot as I could. He could stand still and I still couldn't block his shot."

Cooper had three blocked shots in the game, one of them with six seconds to go against Bob McAdoo to salvage the victory, Portland's fourth in a row since Cooper became a starter.

"We have not been outrebounded since we made that change," Portland coach Jack Ramsay said. "He can shoot, he can rebound and he can block shots."

Cooper was traded by Dallas to Portland for guard Kelvin Ramsey in the off-season. "A lot of people were critical of their trade to get Cooper, but he's nice center and he did a good job on Kareem," Los Angeles coach Pat Riley said.

In other NBA games, Golden State tripped Dallas 122-113, Phoenix trimmed Seattle 114-109 in overtime, San Antonio beat Houston 102-93. Washington defeated Chicago 108-102 and Detroit edged New York 104-99.

The Los Angeles-Portland game was tied 12 times and there were 11 lead changes, but the Lakers seemed to have a comfortable edge 95-88, with 6½ minutes to play. But the

Trail Blazers fought back to tie the score at 101-101 before Jim Paxson, who scored 24 points, sank two free throws for a 105-103 edge with 18 seconds to go.

Then Cooper blocked VicAdoo's shot after a baseline drive, setting up Darnell Valentine's layup with one second left. Magic Johnson led the Lakers with 24 points, while Norm Nixon and Jamaal Wilkes had 17 apiece.

The Spurs, who outscored the Rockets 25-16 in the fourth quarter, took the lead for good on a three-point play by Gene Banks. Elvin Hayes led Houston with 21 points.

Pistons 104, Knicks 99: Terry Tyler scored 12 of his 26 points in the fourth quarter and Isiah Thomas contributed four points and a key steal in the final seconds to lead Detroit over New York.

The 6-foot-1 Thomas, who scored 19 points, tied the score for the sixth time in the fourth quarter, 97-97, on a tip-in of a missed shot while surrounded by three Knicks. Then after Bill Laimbeer's two free throws gave the Pistons a 99-97 edge, Thomas stole an inbounds pass, was fouled and hit two more free throws for a four-point lead.

Bernard King led all scorers with 31 points for the Knicks, while Vinnie Johnson added 21 for Detroit, who snapped a four-game losing streak.

Bullets 108, Bulls 102: Greg Ballard scored 22 points and reserve guard Kevin Grevey added 21 to pace Washington over Chicago.

Ballard and Grevey combined for 20 points in the final six minutes of the game as the Bullets rallied from a 79-72 deficit early in the fourth period. Grevey had two three-point goals as Washington outscored the Bulls 14-3 to take the lead for good at 86-82.

Warriors 122, Mavericks 113: Purvis Short scored 15 of his 33 points in the fourth period to lead Golden State over Dallas. Short and World Free, who scored 23 points, led a 14-6 surge by the Warriors over a four-minute span to take a 109-96 edge in the fourth quarter. Rolando Black led Dallas with 31 points.

Afer Maurice Lucas scored Phoenix's last six points to tie the game 97-97 at the end of regulation, Larry Nance tipped in a missed

WBA chief not in favor of drastic changes

CARACAS, Venezuela, Dec. 15 (AP) — World Boxing Association (WBC) President Gilberto Mendoza said Tuesday his organization has no immediate plans to reduce the number of rounds in championship fights, but the length of the final rounds of a 15-round bout could be shortened.

In an interview, Mendoza said the WBA will probably take whatever advice is offered by a seven-member medical committee scheduled to present suggestions for safety measures at a January WBA executive committee meeting.

The idea of either plan would be to lower the risk of injury to exhausted fighters late in a bout.

The rival World Boxing Council (WBC) has decided to shorten title fights from 15 rounds to 12. Mendoza said that if the doctors suggest a similar course for the WBA, the executive committee will probably take their advice.

But he also said he currently favors less

drastic changes such as cutting a half-minute from each of the final three or four rounds, which are now three minutes, or lengthening the one-minute break between rounds or delay fights if one boxer appears to be in serious trouble.

"They (the medical committee) will have the last word," said the Venezuelan WBA head. "We do not want to rush into anything."

The WBC announced its changes last week in the wake of the death of South Korean boxer Kim from brain injuries five days after he was knocked down by WBA lightweight champion Ray Mancini in the 14th round of a Nov. 13 Las Vegas title fight.

Mendoza declined to comment on the WBC move. "I do not know how they came to that decision. I do not know what they took into account," he said.

Mendoza said his committee has been studying safety measures for two months. Mendoza, who was planning to travel to the

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In Esanda Hockey

India, Pakistan heading for another clash

MELBOURNE, Dec. 15 (AP) — The two kings of Asian hockey, India and Pakistan, seem to be heading for their fifth meeting of the year in the final of the Esanda (10-10) Hockey Tournament.

They have already met in a group match here, when India won 2-1 to gain revenge for the 1-7 drubbing Pakistan gave in the Asian Games final in New Delhi earlier this month. They also played each other in the Asia Cup final at Karachi in April when Pakistan won and in the Champions Trophy tournament in Amsterdam in June when India won 5-4. So honors are even.

India, at the top of Group 'A' with six points from three matches, are already assured of a place in the semifinals and with them from their group will come either Pakistan or the Netherlands, who play a decider Thursday. Pakistan, with a better goal-difference, only have to draw.

Tuesday is a rest day giving the Dutch time to reflect on the last pulsating seconds of their match against India, when they conceded a goal to lose 2-1. India were awarded a crucial penalty-corner about 16 seconds from time and converted it to snatch victory.

The Netherlands now have the difficult task of beating Pakistan who, after an indifferent start here, have recovered their rhythm despite injury problems. Pakistan are hoping to include Hanif Khan, who was

SRUF suspends 30 top stars

EDINBURGH, Dec. 15 (AP) — The Scottish Rugby Union Federation has stopped thirty top players from taking part in any more matches this year.

Their action follows the stormy Dec. 4 game between Edinburgh Academicals and Heriot's former pupils in which the referee had to stop play seven minutes before the final whistle after a running fight broke out on the pitch between the two teams.

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Although Pakistan realize that a draw with the Dutch will be enough, their manager, Khalid Mahmood said: "We are not thinking of a draw. That would be a grave risk which would give Holland the initiative." Against the Dutch, Pakistan will have to rekindle the fire that carried them to that historic victory over India just two weeks ago.

The position in Group 'B' is a little more complicated with four teams, Australia, West Germany, New Zealand and England each having a chance of qualifying but only two will go through.

A draw for Australia against the Germans will put them in the semis, but England must beat New Zealand to qualify. New Zealand also know that they must beat England. On

Wednesday, only two weeks ago.

In Abdullah Hashim Cricket

Dallah's Salman toils in vain

By a Staff Writer

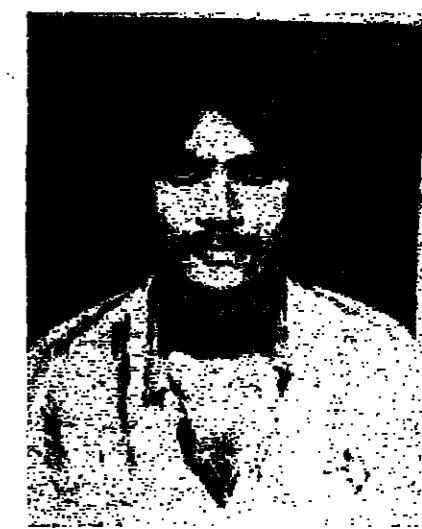
JEDDAH, Dec. 15 — A sparkling unbeaten knock of 98 by Salman was but in vain as his side Dallah Avco went down to Saad Electronics by three wickets in the Abdullah Hashim Cricket League this week.

Making first use of the strip, Dallah aggregated 132 runs, thanks to Salman's bright knock. He was the lone Dallah batsman to defy the Saad Electronic bowlers, especially Waseem who grabbed six wickets, as wickets at the other end tumbled at regular intervals to leave Salman without a partner.

In reply Saad Electronic were in for a rude shock, losing an early wicket with just eight runs on board. But Farooq and Asad with knocks of 30 and 45 respectively put them back on the victory path and with Khalid Nusrat chipping in with a fighting 24. Saad Electronics got past the victory target at the expense of seven wickets despite Asim doing well with his spinners and claiming four wickets.

In another match, Pak Young surprisingly crashed by 58 runs to Samco. With Rashid (41), Salman (32) and Inam (22) performing well with the bat, Samco aggregated 157 runs.

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Salman...fighting 98

failed to get going and could muster just 99 runs. Salman, Nasir and Shahzad claiming nine wickets between them.

The third match of the day saw Iskander cruise to a 121-run win over Petromin. The victory made to look easy by Qavi, who shattered the Petromin innings with five wickets to see them all out for 125 in reply to Iskander's total of 246. Sardar (76), Irfan (52) and Khalid Zaidi (52) were Iskander's top scorers.

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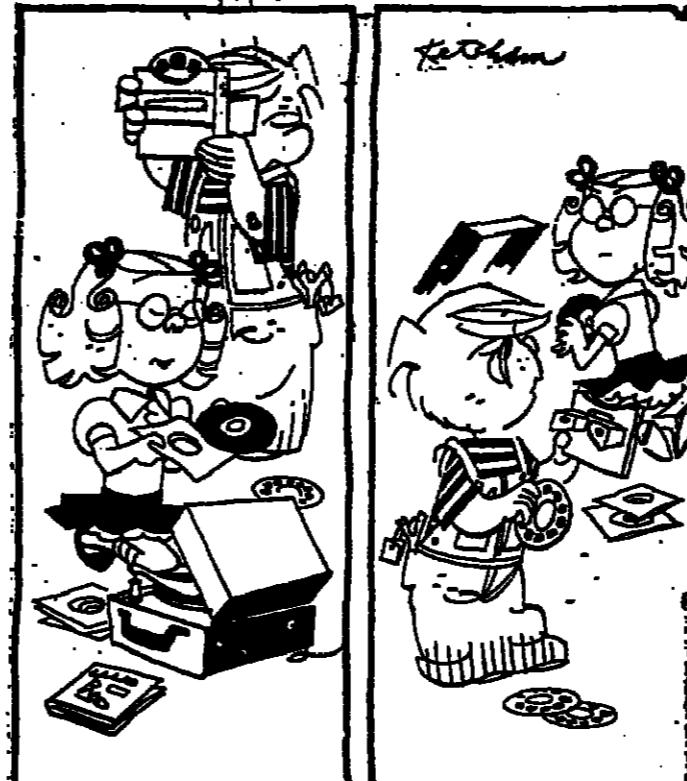
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